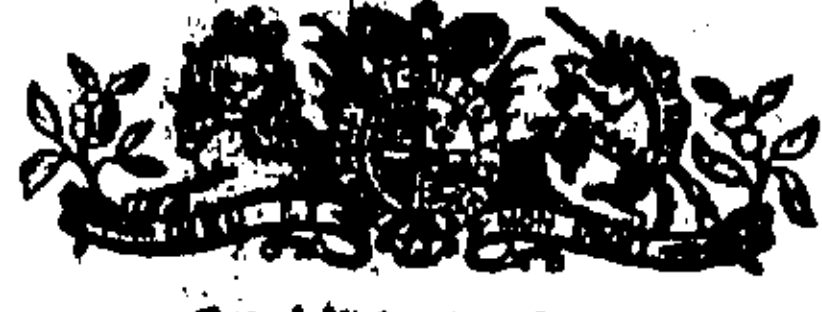


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Stalin's Successor Reported Chosen

Press Lavishes Praise On Georgi Malenkov

New York, Jan. 8. Moscow's Press left little doubt today that the successor to Josef Stalin has been chosen and that he is the towering man of the Politburo, Georgi Maximilianovich Malenkov.

Extravagant praise was heaped on him on his 50th birthday. It is comparable only to the praise accorded Stalin himself. The greeting to him from the Communist Party and the Council of Ministers hails him as "co-adviser of Stalin"—the highest possible praise in the USSR. It also credits him with having "forged history for our homeland in the great war of the fatherland against the enemies of humanity."

This is a development of extreme importance for the world, with broad implications for the future of international relations.

If there has been a struggle for power in the Politburo and many in the West believe such a struggle has taken place—Vyacheslav M. Molotov seemingly has lost to the brilliant, ruthless younger brought up in the isolation of Soviet Communism as Stalin's protégé.

There have been persistent hints that Stalin was relinquishing his active direction of Soviet affairs. He has just turned 72,

REVEALING PICTURE

Sniping In The Canal Zone

Port Said, Jan. 8. A British Army communiqué said that Egyptian activity in the Canal Zone today was limited to sniping at vehicles across the sweet water canal in the area of Ismailia.

A British military spokesman said that the Egyptian authorities had protested against the landing of a party of East African Pioneers at Suez last week because of "plague" in Tanganyika.

He added that all the men had been inoculated against yellow fever before leaving Kenya.—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Mr Vyshinsky's Designs

THE attention which has been directed during the early days of the New Year towards the Far East from such widely scattered capitals as Moscow, Paris, London, Washington and Tokyo cannot be dismissed as insignificant. While Premier Stalin offers personal felicitations to the people of Japan, his United Nations spokesman, Mr Vyshinsky, endeavours to have the Korean truce talks transferred from the tents at Pan Mun Jom to the Security Council in Paris. Simultaneously Mr Truman and Mr Churchill meet in Washington for discussions on global affairs with particular reference to the whole Far East situation, and Mr Yoshida, the Japanese Premier, makes a public announcement concerning future Japanese relations with China. The timing and dovetailing are interesting and have aroused considerable speculation. In London, some fears have been expressed that Stalin's message to the Japanese was a calculated move to throw some disorder into the Truman-Churchill talks, but if such were the intention, it appears to have misfired completely. Of more importance is Mr Vyshinsky's Korea "peace offensive" in Paris. It is subtle and not a little worrying. The impression given is that Mr Vyshinsky is pulling the strings from both ends. Dismissal of his argument that more rapid progress towards a truce in Korea could be brought about by consideration of the subject in the Security Council does not mean acceleration of progress at Pan Mun Jom. On the contrary a veiled hint is contained in the Vyshinsky proposals that refusal to accept them will involve further stalling by the Communists in the current on-the-spot truce parleys. And some substance is given to this interpretation by the United Nations negotiators who now report that the Reds are showing indifference to any proposals for a cessation of hostilities.

On such questions as airfields and the exchange of prisoners of war the United Nations delegates have made a number of concessions and revisions to their original propositions which have been haughtily rejected by the Communists. Moreover requests for alternative reasonable suggestions from the Reds have met with no response. The conclusion to be reached is that the Communists in Korea are taking their cue from Moscow and that if called upon to do so they will finally wreck the Pan Mun Jom negotiations. Mr Vyshinsky has laid great emphasis on the need for a quick solution to the present Korea impasse, but without saying so in as many words, he has his own price—a political victory in Paris by acceptance of his proposal to have negotiations transferred to the Security Council. If this is not forthcoming, Mr Vyshinsky and his Kremlin colleagues will make no effort to help progress at Pan Mun Jom; on the contrary they can be expected to redouble their endeavours to sabotage the truce talks and render agreement impossible. This is the possibility which Mr Truman and Mr Churchill have had to consider in the course of their discussions on the Far East, knowing full well that the most pressing and immediate problem in this part of the world is to compose affairs in Korea. Future Sino-Japanese relations and new threats to the security of Indo-China have their own importance, but both are subordinate to the Korea problem which, in view of Mr Vyshinsky's attitude at Paris, has taken on a new and more dangerous complexion. The Chinese Communists may be alive to the fact that the Kremlin is striving to use them as pawns in a big political gamble, but if they do not appreciate this, it may well be that the Pan Mun Jom negotiations will break down completely at the instigation of Moscow.



GEORGI MALENKOV

Britain's Austerity Programme

London, Jan. 8. A change in the entire industrial pattern of Britain may be involved in the "austerity programme" now being prepared by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Richard Butler, in view of the dollar drain.

Financial observers said today that it might take a number of years—one unofficial estimate has been three—of austerity and increased production to stabilise Britain's economy.

Mr Butler will give an outline of the measures he has in mind at a Commonwealth Finance Ministers' secret conference which begins here next Tuesday.

It is believed that one line of policy to be outlined would be the movement of manpower to work in defence, in mines and other essential industries a substantial part of whose output would be for export.—Reuter.

No Truman-Churchill-Stalin Meeting For The Time Being

TIME NOT RIPE

US To Be Asked Straight Question

Washington, Jan. 8.

The United States may be asked this week to decide its intentions toward Indo-China should Communist China move to turn that vital Asian area into a second Korea.

The question would be voiced this Friday when French delegates open a top-level conference here with British and American military chiefs.

A Defence Department announcement said only that the conference will continue talks on Southeast Asia which were started among the three powers in Singapore last May.

The conference will open amid persistent reports and mounting evidence that the protracted struggle in Indo-China may shortly take a more serious turn.

At the worst these reports from French and Chinese Nationalist sources hold that Communist China is preparing a major invasion of the former French colonial domain on its Southern borders.

The latest and nearest of a series of invasion dates set by these sources is January 15—one week from today.

MOUNTING ACTIVITY

Available evidence points to mounting activity by the Communist-led Indo-Chinese legions under Moscow tutelage. Ho Chi Minh. They have been trained and partially equipped by the Reds.

US policy toward Indo-China has been expressed simply as arms without men.

France as a government speaking formally to Washington has not asked nor received a reply to the ultimate question: What will the US do if Red China sends its divisions to Indo-China?

Probably the nearest a responsible Frenchman has come to putting this question was when the French chief in Indo-China, General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, visited Washington last September.

The dynamic soldier assured his American hosts that with more US arms, his French and Indo-Chinese troops could eventually defeat the rebels, if the Chinese Reds remained on the outside of the Indo-China border.

US leaders replied with assurances, since honoured, for speedier delivery of more arms.—Associated Press.

MASTER MIND ARRESTED

Saigon, Jan. 8. A "master mind" who has been raising thousands of pounds from Saigon residents for Ho Chi Minh's forces has been arrested, the Police announced today.

The man's name was given as Nguyenvanthe. He was said to be the finance commissar of nearly 1,000 "death volunteers" believed by the Police to be operating in Saigon and its China-town, Chinolon.

Nguyenvanthe has been wanted for nearly two years by the Police who said that he had been extorting large funds from the people by threats and violence.

He was reported to be visiting the city on a special money raising mission for the Vietminh when he was captured.

Landslide Kills Miners

La Paz, Bolivia, Jan. 8.

Between 29 and 100 gold miners were reported to have been killed today in a landslide near the Tipuani Mines. According to the newspaper Ultima Hora, 29 were killed, but La Razon, leading La Paz daily, said the death toll reached 100.

Gold is extracted, mostly in nuggets, from the muddy bottom of the Tipuani River.—United Press.

Crowd Scattered By Fire Hoses

Jerusalem, Jan. 8.

Helmeted riot police scattered gangs of rowdies tonight with fire hoses, as Parliament resumed its debate on the hotly disputed reparations negotiations with Western Germany.

Anti-German riots incited by Herut (Freedom) Party extremists injured 140 police and over 200 civilians on Monday night and forced suspension of Parliament's discussion of the question.

Armed military police enforced the strictest security in the immediate precincts of the Parliament today, while helmeted civil police carrying truncheons and gas masks manned barricades at the streets approaching the building.

As the debate resumed, a crowd of 2,000 attended a mass meeting sponsored by the left-wing Mapam Party and Communist "Peace League" gangs. The crowd insulted the police who dispersed them with fire hoses.

SMALL ATTENDANCE

Only about half of the deputies attended the session of Parliament which on Monday night had its windows shattered and the chamber tear-gassed by rioters who were against Premier Ben Gurion.

Mr Ben Gurion, who proposed direct settlement with Germany of the Israeli reparations claims of \$1,500,000,000 for the property of 6,000,000 Jews slaughtered by the Nazis, said the session would continue until a vote.

Meanwhile, the Knesset's Presidium received a delegation of former Ghetto fighters, partisans and Jewish brigade soldiers sent by the "Peace League". The Freedom Party, supported by the Communists and left-wingers, opposed any direct negotiations or contact with any German government.—United Press.

Suez Transport Restrictions

Ismailia, Jan. 8.

A British military spokesman here announced today that road tankers were now being permitted to leave Suez, but all other transport and movement in and out of the city was restricted.

Shells on the water frontage were fired, British forces would engage the attackers "accurately and more heavily". He announced that reinforcements of R.A.F. armoured cars had arrived in the zone.—Reuter.

Enterprise Is 50 Miles From Safety

Falmouth, Jan. 8.

The barometer dropped steadily tonight and the sea roughened, but Captain Henrik Kurt Carlsen and his battered freighter Flying Enterprise were less than 50 miles and 24 hours from safety.

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MOVE TO MEET
AGGRESSION

Paris, Jan. 8. The United Nations' Political Committee today called on member States to set aside units specially trained and equipped for use by the United Nations against future aggression.

The Committee rejected Russia's proposals to abolish the Collective Measures Committee which is planning the "shadow army" and the call to give priority to its own resolution for a meeting of the Security Council to consider means of reducing world tension and ending the Korean war.

The Committee's anti-aggression move was the result of the approval of a new world-wide collective system designed to meet any future aggression wherever it might come.

The entire Western resolution to this effect was approved by 51 votes to five with Argentina, India and Indonesia abstaining. El Salvador was absent.

The Committee had earlier adopted a Guatemalan amendment to the "shadow army".

This amendment recognised that forces should be made available by nations "to the extent to which in their judgment their capacity permits them to do so".

SOVIET OUTBURST

Before the vote was taken the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, made a fresh bid to block the Western proposals.

He again, calling for a Security Council meeting of "responsible world personalities". The Committee also decided to set up a body of military experts to help with the training, organisation and equipment of the United Nations' anti-aggression units.

The Western resolution, submitted by Britain, France, the United States and eight other countries, and bitterly attacked by the Soviet bloc, took note of the report of the Collective Measures Committee and expressed appreciation of the Committee's constructive work. —Reuter.

Death Of A Heroine

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 8. Betty Thompson, brave 19-year-old beauty whose high spirits in the face of a cancer death sentence won the heart of the country, died today at her home in nearby East Point. She was conscious to the end, but her long and agonising illness had left her too weak to say good-bye to her family and friends.

Betty's love and death story began last spring when her doctors told her she would die, but she was buoyed up at the time by her romance with Tom Amburn, naval aviation machinist's mate who said he received emergency leave to fly from his base at Norfolk, Virginia, to her side.

But he spent only a few hours there before his parents in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, summoned him home. He never came back. Later, Betty broke her engagement with him. —United Press.

WINNING RACE WITH TIDE



Two hundred troops worked from dawn to dusk recently plugging with 50,000 sandbags a gap in the sea wall at Dymchurch, Kent, which threatened the low-lying land of Romney Marsh. They just managed to beat the tide. Gales lashed the whole country, causing widespread damage and destruction. — London Express Photo.

Recruiting For Home Guard

London, Jan. 8. Recruiting for the new Home Guard, which will be the subject of a broadcast by the Secretary of War, Mr. Anthony Head, on Friday week, will start in about a fortnight's time. Postcards for signing on volunteers will be available in post offices after Saturday, January 19. First registrations are expected on the following Monday. —Reuter.

Socialist New French Premier?

Paris, Jan. 8. President Auriol tonight asked the Socialist Deputy, Christian Pineau, to form a new Government.

The first choice of a Socialist Deputy was in line with the Parliamentary tradition of asking a member of the party instrumental in causing the outgoing Government's downfall to form a new Government.

M. Pineau told newspapermen he would have to consult with his colleagues before giving his answer to President Auriol.

M. Pineau was Minister of Food in De Gaulle's first Ministry.

He was at one time Chairman of the National Assembly's Finance Commission, Minister of Public Works and finally Minister of Economic Affairs.

In the course of dangerous missions carried out during the war, he was arrested and imprisoned by the Gestapo at Buchenwald. —France-Press.

ACE PILOTS IN LONDON

London, Jan. 8. Two of the world's leading jet pilots, one the first Korean war jet fighter ace and the other the present holder of the trans-Atlantic and North Pole records, arrived at London Airport today.

The jet fighter ace, Major James Jabara, of the United States Air Force, was the first pilot to shoot down six Chinese jets over Korea.

Captain Charles Blair, of Pan-American Airways, flew a single-seater Mustang fighter non-stop between New York and London in 7 hrs. 48 mins. and non-stop across the North Pole from Norway to Alaska in 10 hrs. 29 mins. —Reuter.

Eisenhower's Decision Hailed By Republican Supporters

Confident Of Victory

Washington, Jan. 8.

General Dwight Eisenhower's Paris statement indicating that he would accept the Republican Party Presidential nomination was hailed by his supporters.

They believe General Eisenhower would come out the victor at the Party's July Convention in Chicago and that after this test his way would be open to the White House.

Although Mr. Robert Taft, Republican Senator from Ohio, has not officially stated his intentions, he let it be known that he would still be a candidate for nomination in the event of General Eisenhower entering the ring.

Under these circumstances, political observers predict that the Republican Party will be torn by internal dissensions during the coming months between the supporters of Senator Taft and those of General Eisenhower.

Despite the latter's popularity it was deemed possible that the electorate might resent the fact that the General appeared willing to be "mobilised" for White House duty but not to participate actively in the electoral campaigning.

The other two candidates for the Republican Presidential nomination, Pennsylvania's Harold Stassen and California's Earl Warren, remained silent. They are, nevertheless, reported to be ready to resign from the race in case SHAPE's Commander appears a likely winner.

Nothing has yet officially been heard from the Democrats.

TRUMAN'S PLANS

It has been repeatedly rumoured that President Truman would not be a candidate against General Eisenhower.

Mr. Truman is reported to be willing to enter the race if Senator Taft receives his Party's nomination, both being politically staunch adversaries.

If Mr. Truman were to resign from the political race, it is said he would favour the nomination of his personal friend, Supreme Court Justice Fred Vinson.

This would be a formal gesture, it was believed here, since Mr. Vinson would have little chance of winning the elections.

If President Truman decides not to be a candidate, political observers believe he would stress that the decision was based on the fact that he was getting old, on the need for bringing new blood into the Democratic Party, and on the amendment to the Constitution of the United States forbidding any man to run for a third Presidential term.

DECISION IN JULY

This amendment, however, does not apply in President Truman's case since it specifically excluded from its provisions the President in power at the time it was voted by the Congress.

Whether Mr. Truman would take advantage or not of the amendment is believed to be dependent on the tactical situation prevailing at the time. The situation will be clearly outlined after the Republican Party's Convention in July.

The Democrats have scored a point over their opponents by setting the date of their Convention a week later.

General Eisenhower has great possibilities of winning at the November polls unless his supporters mistakenly manoeuvre him into one of the numerous political traps the Democrats are likely to set in his way.

Barring unforeseen events, Mr. Truman would in this case retire from the political arena next November. If, however, Senator Taft is nominated by his party or if the Republicans seem unable to clearly choose between the Senator and the General, President Truman would probably decide to enter the struggle, with strong chances of winning. —France-Press.

NEEDED IN EUROPE

Requencourt, Jan. 8. General Dwight Eisenhower returned to his normal round of staff conferences today after his statement yesterday authorising his supporters to go ahead with their "Ike for President" campaign. There were unconfirmed reports that the Allied Supreme Commander had been in touch with political supporters in Washington.

General Eisenhower lunched with Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and spent the rest of the day in his usual discussions of military plans. High officers, both American and European, at Eisenhower's Headquarters put more emphasis on his decision not to resign at this time than on his consent to accept a draft for the Republican presidential nomination if he gets a "clear call to political duty".

It is now felt that Western Europe can depend on "Ike" to keep, for some months anyway, his post as Supreme Commander and direct the organisation of defence against possible attack.

In addition to the lift which his own personality gives General Eisenhower is expected to aid in achieving a six-nation European Army to fight beside the armies of the United States, Canada and Britain, in streamlining the complicated military side of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, and increasing and unifying rearmament efforts. —United Press.

DRIVE ON RACKETS IN AMERICA

New York, Jan. 8. The regional office of the Internal Revenue Department hopes to collect \$100,000,000 worth of back taxes and penalties following the creation of a special anti-rackets unit.

The unit is expected to make mass arrests of New York underworld tax evaders, gamblers and bookmakers.

The unit is composed of experts in the art of "decoding" gambling books and in ascertaining the origins of business profits not always communicated to the fiscal authorities.

The work of the Treasury Department investigators will be facilitated by last Spring's Kefauver senatorial enquiry on organised crime.

The hearings held by Senator Kefauver were published and televised and disclosed numerous crime overflows, of whom Frank Costello, now charged with contempt of the Senate, is the best known. —France-Press.

Battery Run By Atomic Energy

New York, Jan. 8.

An atomic energy battery was announced here today.

The battery changes radioactivity directly into electric current. That change is one of the great goals of the atomic age.

The report was made to the Conference on Electronics and Nuclear Physics of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers by Philip E. Ohmart, of Cleveland.

The significance is explained by the fact that atomic energy, which is producing the world's first electric power from atomic energy.

The Arco oven, or reactor, uses its heat to make steam, which in turn drives a dynamo.

The tremendous radioactivity which the reactor produces along with the heat is not used, it was wasted because there is no way to change it into electricity.

But if this radioactivity is changed into electricity, that will not interfere with either quality or quantity of electricity made by the reactor heat. It will become a double-barreled electric power plant.

The atomic battery announced today is apparently too inefficient, but it is such a good first step toward this goal that it is in industrial and scientific use.

30 YEARS NON-STOP

The battery is a cell containing a rod of gold, another containing a rod of lead and a little radium. Electric current flows from the gold to the lead, and the amount of electricity is proportional to the strength of the gamma radioactivity.

One-tenth of one per cent of the gamma ray energy is converted into electricity. The little atomic battery is used to make radiation counters, analyse alloys, measure growth of surface films and oxides, measure humidity and analyse gases.

Mr. Ohmart said radioactive cobalt and radioactive iodine also can be used to make atomic batteries.

A cobalt atomic battery could be made to run a 100-watt electric light for 30 years non-stop, he added, but such a battery today would cost about \$1,000,000. —Associated Press.

Senate President

Paris, Jan. 8. M. Gaston Monnerville (Radical) was today re-elected President of the French Council of the Republic (Senate) by 153 votes against 78 for a Right-wing member and 16 for a Communist. —Reuter.

London, Jan. 8. The pilot of the Meteor jet plane who was killed when his machine dived into the ground yesterday after a collision with another Meteor jet over Linton, the Royal Air Force station near York, was Flying Officer C. Shurman. —Reuter.

POP



'THE IRISH SHY FROM MARRIAGE'

Priest's Warning Of Extinction

South Bend, Ind., Jan. 8. A priest at Notre Dame said today that residents of Ireland will become as extinct as some birds unless they stop dodging marriage.

The Rev. John O'Brien of the University of Notre Dame said that the Republic of Ireland, noted for its beautiful coasts, was rapidly becoming a nation of bachelors and old maids. Not enough of the residents were marrying and many of those who did postponed the trip until later than usual.

"It is a piece of cruel and tragic irony in spite of its proud traditions that Eire has one of the lowest birth rates in the world," said the Rev. O'Brien in an article entitled "Vanishing Irish" in the January issue of a magazine published by the Benedictine Fathers at St. Benedict, Oregon.

The Rev. O'Brien said that the picture-book Eire of young love and a manly lover was a thing of the past.

If an Irish girl wishes to marry, he suggested, she should marry a foreigner.

The Rev. O'Brien said that the population in 26 counties had dwindled by almost 4,000,000 persons in 100 years. About 6,548,000 lived there in 1840 and only 2,992,034 one hundred years later.

LOWEST IN WORLD

The priest concluded that emigration accounted for many during that period. But the chief cause of the decrease, he said, were the comparatively small number of persons who married and the late age at which others finally gave in.

A census had disclosed that only two out of five Irish citizens between 30 and 34 were married, the lowest proportion in the world.

He estimated that 65 per cent of the population was single, only 28 per cent married.

The Rev. O'Brien urged people to the Republic to adopt effective measures to ward off impending extinction.

"It is doubly pathetic to note that officials of a nation which has been digging its own grave for a whole century have voiced no alarm or adopted any effective measures to arrest the impending tragedy," he said.

The Rev. O'Brien, author and lecturer at Notre Dame, based his conclusions on a study and personal tour of the Republic.

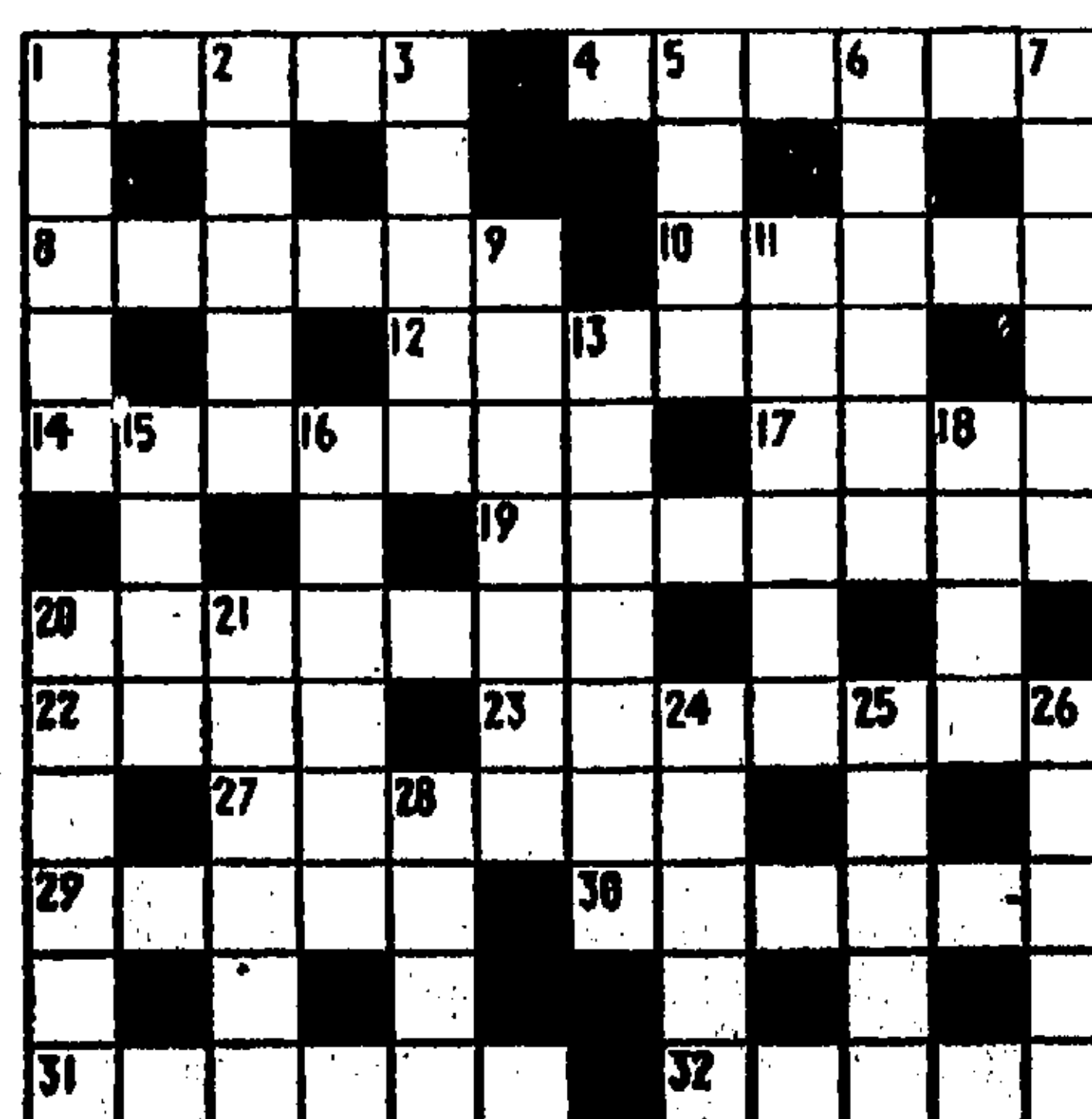
—United Press.

Korea Volunteers

London, Jan. 8. Some 340 Belgian and Dutch volunteers en route for Korea will arrive in Portsmouth by air on Thursday. The volunteers will be taken to Southampton by road to embark aboard the British transport Empire Fowey.

—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Infants (5). | 1 Fundamental (5). |
| 2 Disturbance (6). | 2 Nobleman (5). |
| 3 Current (6). | 3 Degree of progress (5). |
| 4 Denude (5). | 4 Repose (4). |
| 5 Leg-bone (6). | 5 Vegetable (6). |
| 6 Call together (7). | 6 Wakened (6). |
| 7 Flower (4). | 7 Controls (7). |
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| 11 Ways in (7). | 11 Moral excellence (6). |
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Malaya Student-Teachers To Train At British College



Some of the 150 student-teachers from Malaya who have just arrived in London. They are the first of several hundred who are being sent to Britain to train at West Kirby, Liverpool, at a college placed at the disposal of the Federated Malayan Government. — London Express Picture.

Appeals To Mossadegh

Teheran, Jan. 8. The Speaker of the Persian Parliament (Majlis) wrote to Premier Mossadegh today assuring him that the order and security existed in the Majlis and that he need fear nothing, and invited him to attend the next session when an opposition motion to set up an eight-man elections supervisory board will be debated.

It is officially revealed that the Pakistan Ambassador to Washington has sent a message to Premier Mossadegh advising him to continue efforts to bring about a solution of the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute by accepting the World Bank's suggestions and calling on him not to reject the Bank's good office which was one of the last and effective means to solve the deadlock. — United Press.

Record US Budget

Washington, Jan. 8. President Truman will submit to the Congress around January 21 a record \$85,000,000,000 budget for the fiscal year 1952-53.

Seventy-six per cent of the expenditures will be devoted to the rearmament of the United States and its Allies.

For the first time in many years prospective expenditures will exceed receipts.

The unprecedented peacetime budget has only been exceeded by two war-time budgets when expenditure was about \$95,000,000,000. — France-Press.

Fijian Battalion Sails For Service In Malaya War

Men, women and children wept today as they stood together in crowds in the heart of Fiji's capital along the route taken by departing Fijian troops for Malaya.

Many others made no secret that they were close to tears in an unprecedented wave of emotion which swept Suva as the First Battalion of the First Infantry Regiment boarded the troopship Asturias to join the British forces in Malaya struggling to wipe out Communist jungle guerrillas.

The sailing of the Battalion today is the direct result of the Fiji Government in 1950 to serve who ever needed "against the King's enemies."

Commenced by New Zealand and Fijian officers, the Battalion expects to maintain the brilliant tradition set by Fijians who fought beside the Americans during World War II.

For the last two months the troops have been undergoing intensive training in Fiji under the supervision of a British Army Major from Malaya who advised on new jungle fighting technique.

When they arrive in Malaya the Fijians will have special training in the jungles before going into action.

Sweated Labour In Tokyo Mill

Tokyo, Jan. 8. A Japanese girl's letter to a Tokyo newspaper led to a police raid on a cotton spinning mill last night and the arrest of its operator and three of his officers on sweat-shop charges.

Police said the operator, Hideyoshi Nagai, 47, was forcing his crew of 320—mostly teen-age girls—to work in two shifts from 4 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 1 a.m. alternately.

They also said most of the girls were forced to work without days off and to live 16 to a room together. Overtime was paid at seven to eight yen—about two cents—an hour.

Most of the girls were recruited from poor peasant families in North-western Japan with an advance payment of wages.

The four men arrested were charged with violating Japan's new Labour Standards Law, which was set up after the war to avoid some of the sweat-shop conditions that formerly prevailed in pre-war Japan.

The raid was touched off when one of the girls wrote to the Yomiuri, one of Japan's giant dailies, saying, "We are slaves... labour standard law officers are only looking on the other side."

The paper took up the matter with the authorities and the raid resulted. — Associated Press.

Congress Back In Session
Washington, Jan. 8. The 82nd Congress formally resumed its session this afternoon.

"TERROR DECLARATION" IN ISRAEL TO BE RESISTED

Premier's Assurance

Jerusalem, Jan. 8. The Israeli Prime Minister, Dr David Ben Gurion, tonight told the Israeli nation that the Government was able to resist to any attempts to carry out political assassinations.

In a broadcast to the nation, the Premier said that Israel's security forces would defend the country's liberty against "the movement of political assassins."

In his broadcast Dr Ben Gurion assured his listeners that Israel would remain a democracy and all signs of terrorism would be destroyed.

He directly referred to the Freedom Movement's leader, Menachem Beigin, threat yesterday, saying, "Beigin's words mean a declaration of terror."

The Premier, who linked right-wingers of the Freedom Movement and Communists as terror-mongers, said, "The police and the Army will undo the plots."

Describing yesterday's riots, Dr Ben Gurion said: "There has been an attempt to take away the powers of decision from the hands of the nation's representatives and to destroy our democracy."

"I know it is not so difficult to carry out orders, even of Cabinet Ministers. It is clear against whom is directed the light to the death of Mr Beigin, but there are enough police to defend the nation's liberty against the movement of hoodlums and political assassins and prevent them prolonging this terror."

SERIOUS DANGER
The Premier stated: "We will not allow them to turn Israel into a Syria or a Spain. There will be no minority rule in Israel."

Dr Ben Gurion said that the Government was conscious of the danger and took seriously the threats voiced by the Freedom Movement's leader but added: "The nation will support its elected representatives."

Several thousand people tonight pressed around the Knesseth, where the debate on the bitterly-contested issue of Israel's direct negotiations with Germany was due to be resumed.

Cylindrical barricades of barbed wire and steel-helmeted police held the throng off.

MASS MEETING
At the same hour as the Knesseth was to meet, the "Peace Movement" and the Communists had called an open air mass meeting to protest against the negotiations with "neo-Nazi Germany."

The meeting was held with police permission. Blue-coated police and troops in khaki uniforms were conspicuous in the streets tonight, held in readiness in case the situation should take an ugly turn.

The "Peace Movement" open air mass meeting attracted about 1,000 supporters tonight.

There was no repetition of yesterday's riots. Speakers urged the Knesseth not to deal with the "neo-Nazis of Bonn" and not to join the "anti-Soviet Western Fascist front."

The meeting was held about a mile from the Knesseth building. — Reuter.

PALESTINE CONFLICT

Supported by Syria, Egypt today strongly attacked the compromise proposals for settlement of the Palestine conflict put forward in November by the Palestine Conciliation Commission whose report is now under debate before the Ad Hoc Committee of the United Nations.

Abdel Monem Mostafa Bey (Egypt) stated he felt bitterness towards statements made in opening the debate by Dr Philip Jessup (United States) who called on both parties to the conflict to speed a settlement in the interest of the security of the entire Middle East area.

Both the United States and France, he said, seemed to be setting aside the legal aspects of the dispute and to be accepting the situation in Palestine as an accomplished fact.

Abdullah Hakim Tabibi (Afghanistan) supporting the claim of the Arab States, said that none of the United Nations resolutions had been carried out in such a way as to protect Arab rights sufficiently.

He contended that the compromise proposals advanced to the Paris Conciliation Conference in November last were not in accordance with previous United Nations resolutions.

Syria's Adnan Atassi stressed that Arab refugees had an undisputable right to repatriation which could not be subjected to bargaining. — United Press.

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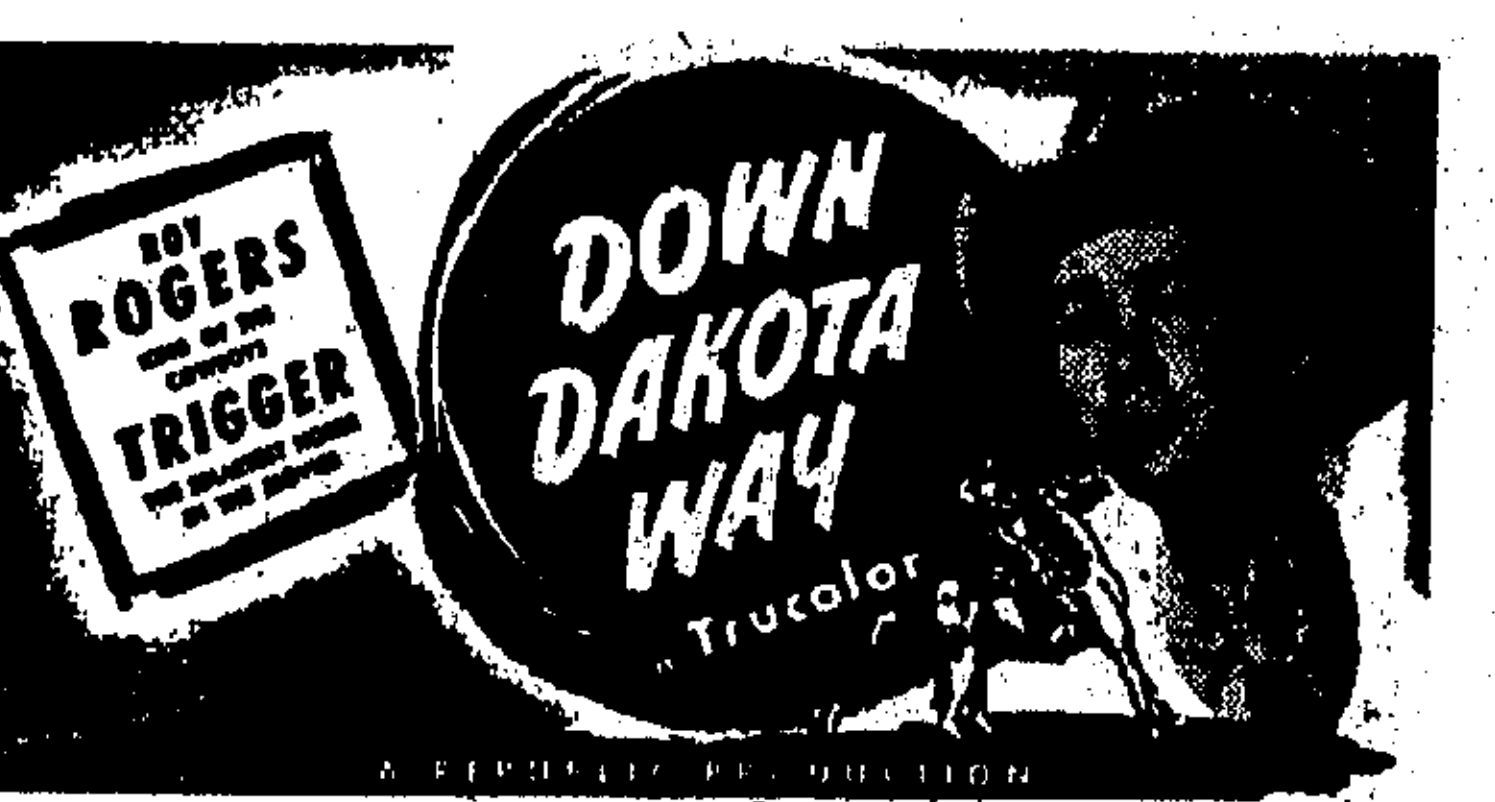
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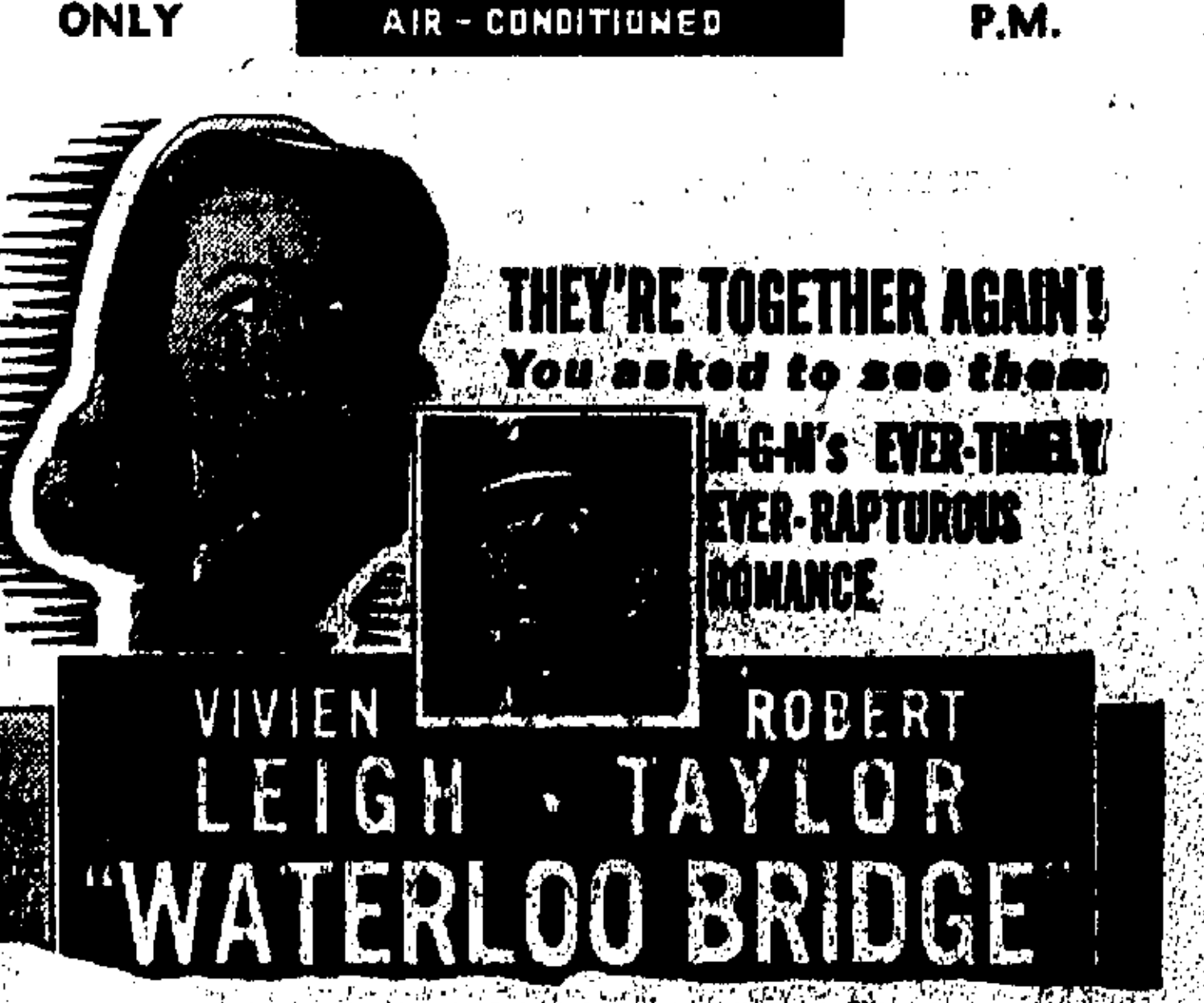
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Government and other public securities, and exceeding market value	966,599,447.51
Other securities, not exceeding market value	112,814,278.72
Call loans	57,127,893.68
Other loans and discounts	790,892,934.40
Liabilities of customers under letters of credit	73,925,750.72
Other assets	26,227,484.38
	C\$ 2,515,645,208.68

Liabilities

Capital, reserve and undivided profits	C\$ 89,633,371.69
Notes in circulation	155,987.46
Deposits	2,350,314,347.75
Letters of credit outstanding	73,925,750.72
Other liabilities	1,015,751.06
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AMERICA TICKS— BUT A BIT UNEASILY

by R. M. MacCOLL

WASHINGTON. BOOMING into the New Year—a New Year in which she must elect herself a new President or decide to keep on Mr Truman—America will present to Mr Churchill a gigantic paradox between the facts of her national life and the mood of her people.

What are THE FACTS? Unprecedented prosperity, enormous wealth, an economy which can rise thanks to the genius of American engineers and business leaders, to meet challenge upon challenge. And a sheer golden plenty of food, of natural resources, of space and people and things.

Such, to the outward eye, is America.

America's backbone, in peace as in war, is steel. And America's steel industry is a flaming, restless giant.

Already her blast furnaces are pouring out more than 100 million tons of steel a year. But that is not good enough for America.

It is expanding twice as fast as it did in the days of the last war.

Vast new communities spring up out of marshland and meadow at the bidding of the steelmasters. Today's turnip field will be tomorrow's shopping centre for the workers.

So rich

NOW let us look at THE PEOPLE. Lately, I have been, on successive Saturday mornings, in two spots outside New York which serve to give us a glimpse of the Americans themselves.

One was the Washington dormitory suburb of Falls Church, across the Potomac River in Virginia. The other was the township of Boyertown (population between 3,000 and 4,000), north-west of Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania.

I was struck afresh by the sheer richness of the scene by the limitless goods in the markets, and by the jammed procession of vast new cars that edged along bumper to bumper. Nobody appeared to pause even briefly over prices. The few women who were not so well and newly dressed as the average paid over £3, £4, or £5 for the week-end groceries without batting an eye.

And the birth-rate goes bounding up and up. It is changing the whole American approach to home-building, because the idea of a two-child family is as dated as the Charleston.

Unemployment? It has been no problem for a full and fabulous decade. The actual figure—which means little—hovers about the 1,750,000 mark—but then there are over 60,000,000 Americans in jobs.

The 1,750,000 are largely the unemployables, the "won't work", or the duds, for there is a labour shortage here.

So troubled

SO here is America as Mr Churchill will find it—the new world Power, prosperous and strong, and apparently getting more prosperous and stronger all the time.

The paradox is in the minds of her people. For I think hundreds of thousands of Americans are troubled today.

What is wrong? Well, trying to pin-point it as far as possible I would say—

1 A BASIC DREAD of that third world war that is hanging in the sky, just over the next range of hills.

2 A WRETCHED FEELING that the Korean war is being fumbled. America likes to go all out—at games, at work, in peace, or in war.

3 THE NAGGING FEELING that the force of time and circumstances have thrust greatness upon America and that never again will she be able to lead the old, carefree, "free-wheeling" existence that was hers.

4 A FAIRLY GENERAL, if vague and unformulated, attack of conscience about some of the things that are happening in public life right here in the U.S.A.

Even a Dillinger out here can in certain circumstances become a national hero, but the man-in-the-street has really been rocked by the scandal of the racketeering income tax inspectors.

So—we wait

THIS could have big political repercussions in this year's presidential election. But most Americans will tell you when it comes to politics, that only one man can beat Truman. If the President chooses to run again next summer.

And that one man is our friend General Eisenhower.

If there was not this matter of the Atlantic Powers' Supreme Command and the feeling common to most of us that Eisenhower is doing in Europe, I would give quite a sizable sum for the fun of reporting a presidential set-to between the general and the former major.

Anyway America rich but worried, strong but apprehensive, will have a sigh of relief when the lines are clearly drawn in that close-approaching contest of 1952.

Ah me, London!

Mr. Baedeker's new guide recalls an earlier edition half a century ago... when beer was 2d a glass

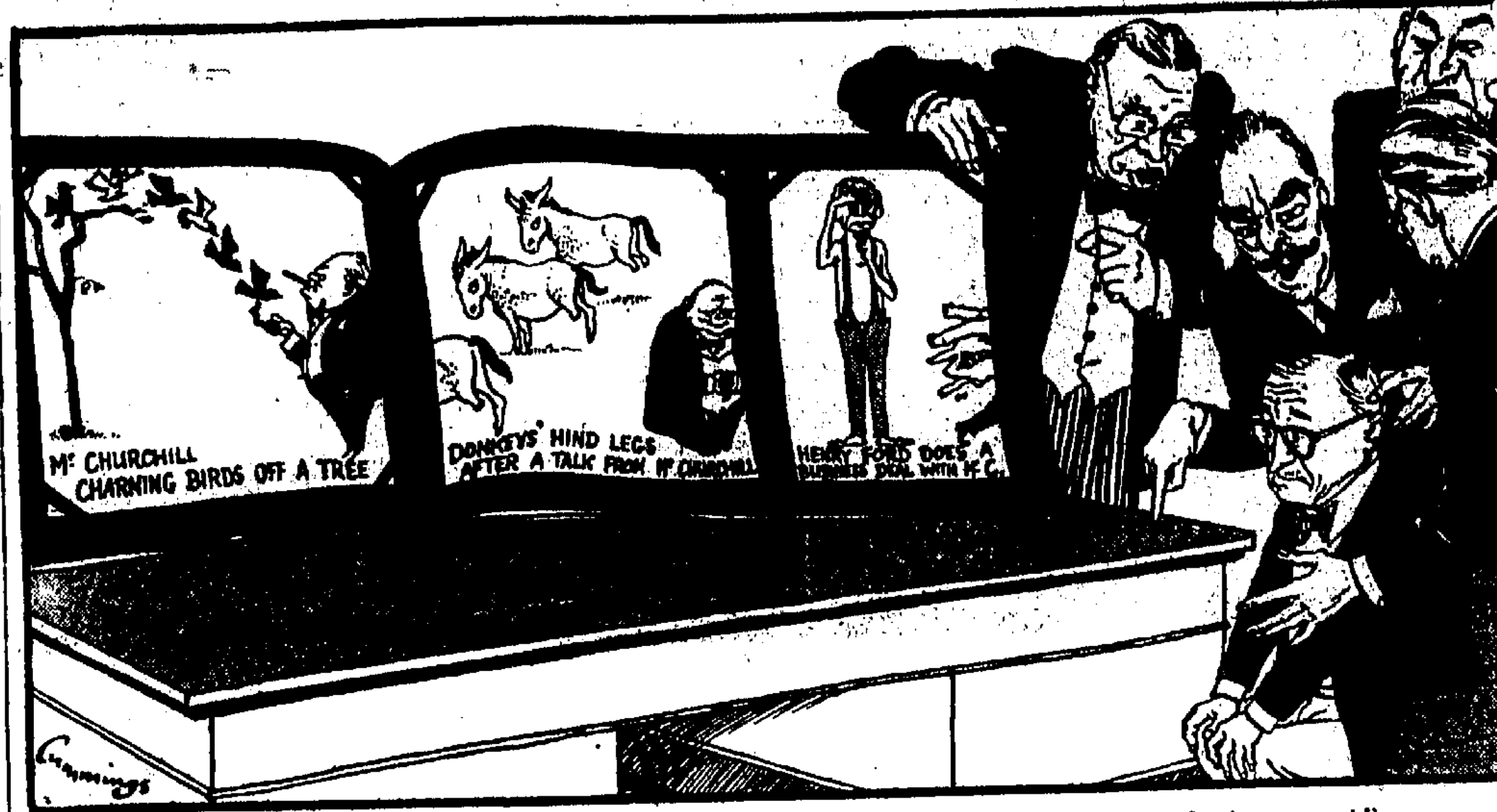
THE irrepressible Baedeker is back on the scene. The first Guide to London since before the war has just been published. It is thinner with the passing years, but there is still all that old zeal for wringing the last drop of history from every square foot of pavement.

I talked to Otto Baedeker about it. Stocky, blond-moustached, 25 years old, he is the great-grandson of Karl Baedeker, who brought out the original guide in Coblenz in 1829.

He now sits amid towering rows of books in publisher Sir Stanley Unwin's office in Museum Street, Bloomsbury. He handles the London end of the family business while cousin Karl is busy travelling in Germany revising editions over there.

I told him I possessed a copy of the 1900 guide to London. Otto smiled, sighed: "That makes interesting reading." I agreed. It is a passport to a faded age, to gaslight and hansom, to beer at 1½d., to the gay blades who hovered hopefully round stage doors always ready to raise a huzzah for a passing chorus girl.

Baedeker 1951 is just as much a social commentary. Here is present-day London with all its bomb scars, all its better-dressed, rush-hour jostle of people. But, like the old book, it is a passport to a faded age, to gaslight and hansom, to beer at 1½d., to the gay blades who hovered hopefully round stage doors always ready to raise a huzzah for a passing chorus girl.



"... And so remember, Harry, just say 'No,' 'Possibly,' and 'I'll think it over.'"

Sitting on the Fence....

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

WHEN Father Christmas called at The Sea Nest, rubbing his hands with an eye on the cocktail cabinet, he was not offered hospitality but was shown a newspaper cutting which reported the opinion of a schoolteacher that no child over five believes in him any more.

"I am not at all surprised," he said. "Now the world is full of obvious miracles, like television, nobody believes in miracles, least of all the children."

"Of course, many chimneys in most houses, a stupid child would believe that I could drop down them without hurting myself, though the smarter ones often asked how I managed to cover the whole country in a night."

"Now most houses have small chimneys, or are heated mainly by electric fires, they just don't believe a man of my size could do it."

In fact, knowing little boys who live in large blocks of flats have realised for years that nobody could climb down such a complicated system of ventilation, even without a sack.

"But there must be thousands of children who still believe in you!"

"Thousands, pretend to, partly to please their parents, but mainly because the cunning little creatures know that belief in me means an extra present, one from their own father and one from me."

"What about the under fives?"

"No doubt some of them believe in my existence, though my appearance either puzzles them or terrifies them. At one time, when I was almost universal, I probably reminded them of their dear old grandfathers. Now grandfathers are mostly clean shaven and sprightly, I appear to them as a silly old man."

"Or a frightening old man." "Not only a frightening old man, but a frightening old foreign man, because they have never seen an Englishman like me. And English children begin to distrust foreigners at an early age."

"How do you think you'll strike them this year?"

"As the modern child keeps abreast of the news, they'll probably think I'm The Abominable Snowman in a dressing-down."

"And are you?"

"Of course. But don't tell anybody. I don't want to frighten the grown-ups."

Manhattan Mouser

BEING a letter from Manhattan Mouser, New York cat, to his English sweetheart, Lottie.

Hiya Sugar Puss, Before I board the liner which will bring me to my Honey Cat on Christmas Eve, let me tell you briefly of my adventures in Korea, where I went as a mascot with an American outfit.

As you know goodchow and a good time dame are the two things I look for when I go places and don't care if I get them peacefully, or the hard way.

I was O.K. for chow because the regimental cook was my buddy from the time he was a chef on Broadway, and my paws

Happy New Year

OLD MOORE GUBBINS, the discredited astrologer, offers his usual predictions for the New Year.

JANUARY will be a dreary month, with money tight, but most people sober as a consequence. Food, fuel, and tempers will all be short.

FEBRUARY will be even worse. The weather will be foul,

with snow not only on high ground and low ground, but down the back of your neck as well. Scarcity of fuel will mean many running noses.

MARCH will be almost unbearable, with east winds moaning round the house, father moaning about the coming Budget, mother moaning about the price of food, and the children moaning with feverish colds.

APRIL, traditionally month of hope, will be a month of despair, particularly on Budget Day. There will be more eggs, but most taxpayers will be too sick to eat them.

MAY, the merry month, will be a period of unadulterated misery with higher taxes, higher prices, and higher words between Russia and The Rest. Only the birds will be happy.

JUNE will be a month of flaming tempers, as is the month when dock workers always strike. Food will pile up at the docks, but most people won't care as they will be too ill with influenza, owing to the bitter north-east winds.

JULY is the month of the Dog Days, when most people seem stupid and half dead. In July 1952 there will be no "seem" about it. They will be stupid and half dead.

AUGUST, the holiday month, will be so awful I hardly like to tell you about it, except that the harvest will be ruined, as usual.

If you try to "look on the bright side" in SEPTEMBER, you will soon have the grin wiped off your face with eternal chatter about war, fuel cuts, and an autumn Budget. A shortage of Christmas turkeys will be mentioned by a food reporter anxious to be first with the bad news.

OCTOBER will be so terrible that I don't think I'll mention it.

Fog, frost, and financial worry in NOVEMBER will put so many people in bed that we shall seem like a country of 50,000,000 Dr. Mossadeghs.

My charts show nothing at all for DECEMBER. So, perhaps, there won't be one.

A happy Christmas 1952 to everybody.

(London Express Service)

INSIDE INFORMATION

By MERCURY

LONDON.

WESTERN observers expect that unless the cease-fire talks in Korea make progress soon, an all-out attempt will be made with massed jet fighters to sweep U.N. air forces out of the Korean peninsula.

These observers believe that German gun teams using .88 flak are responsible for the increasing number of Allied planes being brought down.

All atomic establishments in Britain will be taken from the Ministry of Supply and put under the direct supervision of Lord Cherwell, Mr. Churchill's personal adviser on atomic research.

Britain's security services will be overhauled soon as a sequel to the Pontecorvo case and other misleading diplomats. Important new appointments will follow.

Syria has agreed to join the Mediterranean pact.

Russia is using 10,000 German prisoners to build underground aeroplane assembly plants in the Ureals.

All Ministries are completing their proposals for staff cuts and economies, and will present them to the Cabinet soon.

be Supreme Commander of the North Atlantic, but will remark that the appointment can be dispensed with altogether, as shown by experience in the last war.

A new scheme for France and other Schuman-Plan countries to enter the Commonwealth is being canvassed in Paris and Westminster. There is consternation among West European politicians at signs that the British are standing aside from continental planning.

General Eisenhower has proposed to Mr. Eden that senior British staff officers should hold high posts at the H.Q. of the new European army, even if there are no British troops in the command.

Best seller of all American Christmas cards has been the reproduction of Mr. Churchill's Academy picture "The Blue Room".

The international port of Tanager is the main clearing house for arms shipped secretly to Arab League territories. Hundreds of rifles have been stolen from Greek arsenals, too.

A 21,000,000 order for twenty Gloster night fighters has come from Denmark.

An American supreme command in the Middle East is now in the air. Turkey has pressed for it.

they would agree to make bases available in wartime if the British withdraw from Egypt and Iraq now. The Allies, aware that the Suez Canal Zone is vulnerable to surprise airborne attack, will not agree to evacuation.

Nearly 800,000 bottles of Danish whisky have been sold to Britain in the past year. Danish whisky, distilled with the assistance of Scottish experts, will be in strong competition with Scotch in European countries next year.

Twenty Communist leaders from Scandinavian countries have gone to East Germany for special training.

Ferrel will make a new approach to Britain, offering to pay compensation in oil for Anglo-Iranian assets, if a figure can be agreed.

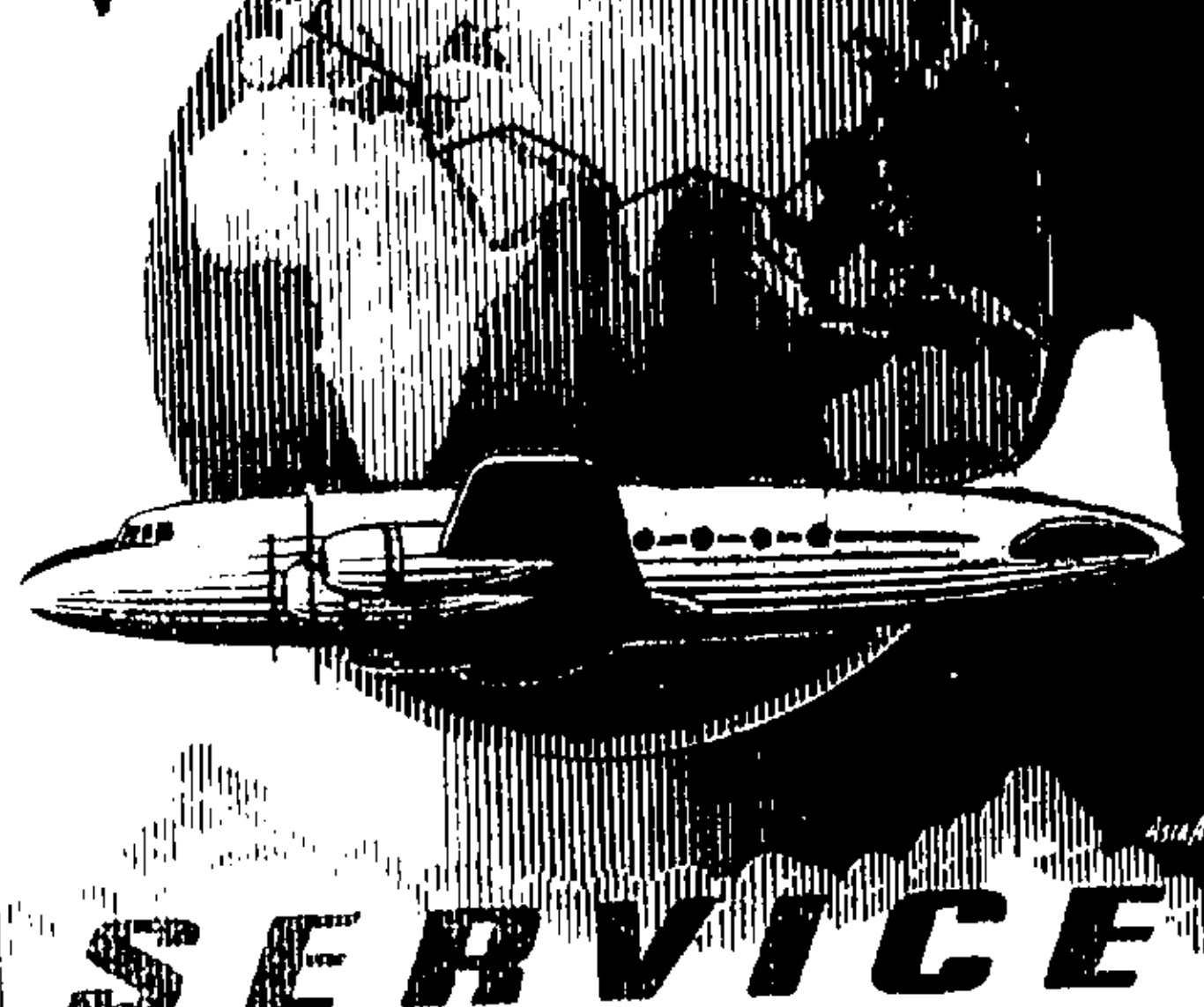
Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Foreign Secretary, has decided not to move his Cairo Ambassadors for the time being. Any successor would have to acknowledge Farouk as King of the Sudan in his credentials. America wants to avoid a showdown at this moment.

Jamaica has discovered valuable bauxite deposits five times larger than any other country possesses. They are being worked by open-cast mining.

A Ministry of Labour and trade union mission, now in Italy, is recruiting more Italian miners for work in Britain. A close watch is kept on Communist miners under the supervision

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Turpin's Next Opponent

By GEORGE WHITING

Middleweight champion Randolph Turpin, reputedly unworried by the doubts I reported concerning his third world title fight with Ray Robinson, is to meet 26-year-old Alex Buxton, second of the Watford "brotherhood," over ten rounds at 11 st. 9 lb. at Harringay on February 12.

Thus, after 10 months, Turpin meets his first English opponent for the first time since he took the British middleweight title from Albert Finch last year.

ONLY ONE

Applauding Finch, 23-year-old Turpin has boxed only one British-born middleweight—Jackie Jones—in the last three years. The interval has been profitably spent collecting British and European championships, winning and losing the world title, and making things physically uncomfortable for American and Frenchmen, South and West Africans, two Belgians, two Spaniards, an Italian and a Canadian—in addition to the two Robinson fights.

That British middleweights have been cut of the picture is no fault of Turpin. Until the last few weeks, not one of the contemporary crop has been able to establish the slightest claim to fight the Leamington Flyer.

PROTEST

Now, as I wrote a fortnight ago, two "Turpin killers" have been taken from the ranks in Alex Buxton and Croydon's Ron Pudney.

Pudney's supporters, having watched him bring off one of the big surprises of 1951 by beating Buxton for the Southern Area title last February, will doubtless raise vehement and valuable protest that the over-weight match at Harringay has been awarded to the Watford middleweight. But Pudney was taken by his manager recently, is not interested in fighting Turpin other than for the title.

With only three defeats in 39 fights since 1943, and with his last five wins achieved after having his jaw broken by Pudney, Buxton's record speaks for itself.

NEEDS FIVE

London, Jan. 8. Alex Buxton, the Watford middleweight boxer, who meets Randolph Turpin in an over-weight match at Harringay on February 12, will have five sporting partners at the end of next week.

Billy Woods, of South Africa, Dave Williams, of Wales, and Jimmy James, of the West Indies, have so far been engaged, and two others will be signed up.

Buxton's manager says the reason is that Buxton hits so hard and some may not stay the course. He says too, Buxton, who won his last eight fights, is confident that he can beat Turpin.

BRITISH RANKINGS

London, Jan. 7. Randy Turpin, the logical contender for "Sugar" Ray Robinson's world middleweight title in all world boxing rankings, has been selected as the No. 1 British boxer in 1951 by the British Boxing Writers' Club.

Turpin was chosen as the club issued its annual list of rankings of British boxers. The list contained no surprises except that the writers were able to find seven men in each weight division that they thought enough of to give a ranking.

Of the 56 listed, 11 appear on one or both of the recent world ranking lists issued by the National Boxing Association of the United States and Ring Magazine. These lists generally are accepted as official wherever professional boxing is staged.

The British lists are:

Heavyweight—Champion, Terry Allen; 1. Teddy Gardner; 2. Vic Herman; 3. Jimmy Pearce; 4. Norman Tennant; 5. Henry Carpenter; 6. Joe Calmyer.

Lightweight—Champion, Peter Kennedy; 1. Tommy Proffitt; 2. Bobby Boland; 3. Jackie Fairclough; 4. Eddie Cannon; 5. Ron Johnson; 6. Frank Williams.

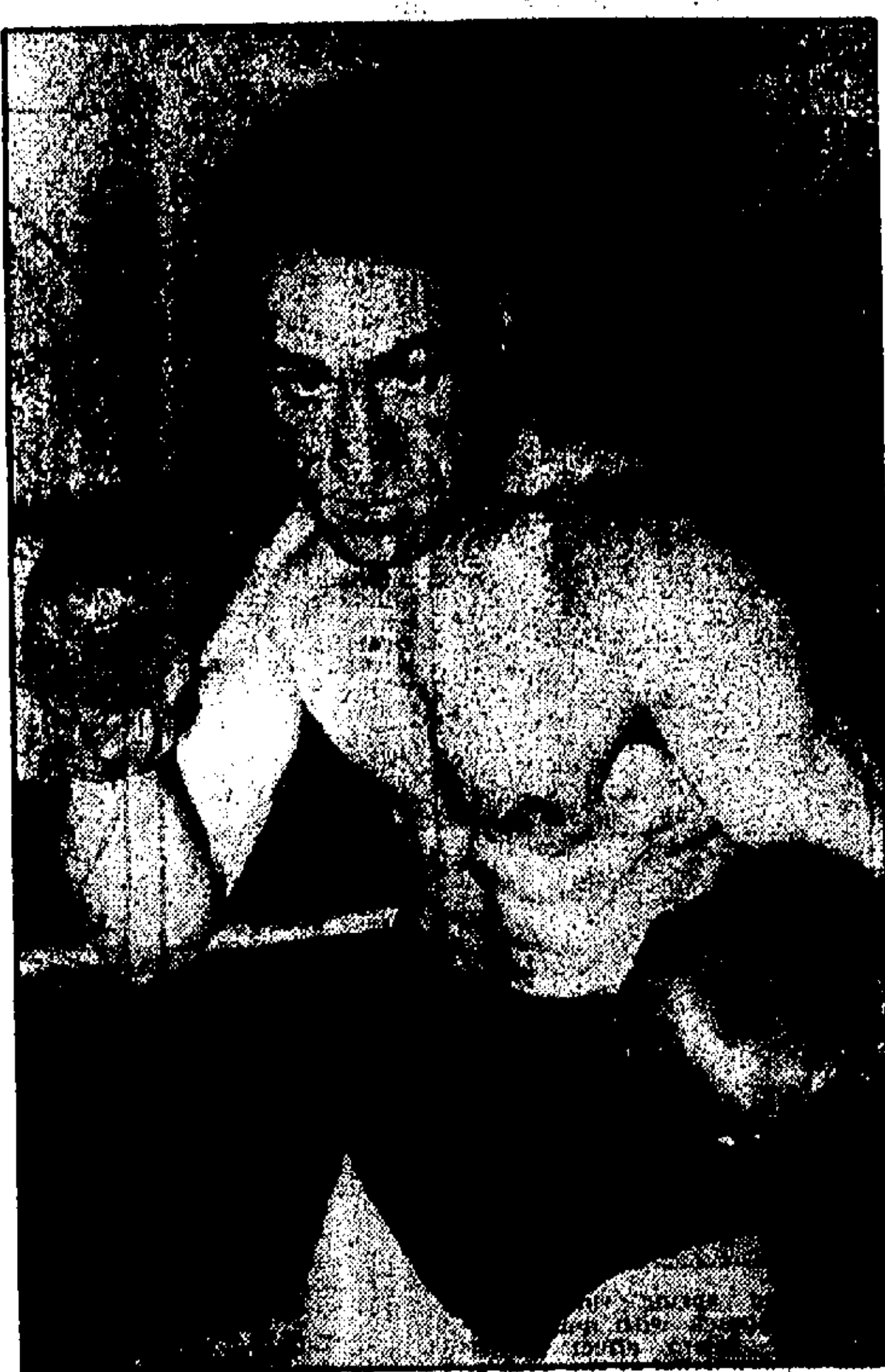
Featherweight—Champion, Ronnie Clayton; 1. Bernard Pugh; 2. Tommy Barry; 3. Alie Davies; 4. Johnny Molloy; 5. George Stewart; 6. Freddie King.

Lightweight—Champion, Tommy McCoy; 1. Tommy Barnham; 2. Joe Lacey; 3. Laurie Buxton; 4. Frank Parker; 5. Ron Cooper; 6. George Jones.

Welterweight—Champion, Wally Whelan; 1. Eddie Thomas; 2. Alie Davies; 3. Alie Davies; 4. Alie Davies; 5. Alie Davies; 6. Alie Davies.

Superweight—Champion, Billy Williams; 1. Billy Williams; 2. Billy Williams; 3. Billy Williams; 4. Billy Williams; 5. Billy Williams; 6. Billy Williams.

By Order, H. MISA, Secretary.



Crinkly-haired, grim-visaged fighter with a devastating punch in each hand is coloured Watford middleweight Alex Buxton, shaping up for his February 12 meeting with British and European Middleweight Champion Randolph Turpin.

Buxton will go into the fight with a formidable record—25 of 35 victories inside the distance. This 26-year-old ex-Royal Marine (he served in the last war) fought with a broken jaw in a match against Ron Pudney early in 1951.

The Turpin-Buxton match will be three pounds over the middleweight limit and will be fought over 10 rounds.—Central Press Photo.

JOHN MACADAM spotlights Man of the Year and tells how

Boy From Sweet Shop Meets Girl Who Knows All About Bikes...

Until three months ago they'd point at smallish, slight Geoff Duke, world champion motor-cycle rider, and tell you: He's married to motor-bikes, he's a confirmed bachelor, he's (if they could pronounce it) a misogynist.

Then, suddenly, he married a 20-year-old girl from the Isle of Man, a girl called Pat Reid, daughter of a motor cycling-minded Douglas parson.

"What made you change?" they asked him. "She knows about bikes," he said simply, as if there were nothing else to ask.

He is just as simple about riding, particularly about cornering. "At this point, it may be necessary to move your head slightly to one side to avoid a telegraph pole."

GENIUS

If these observations, garnered from close acquaintances, do not give a picture of the greatest motor-cycling genius of his era, the man Basil Cardew describes as the Nuvolari of the Saddle, then here is a little other thing—

"There is nothing special about getting another mile or two an hour extra out of a motor-bicycle," he says. "You think that you have to do (that was a T.T. 87.4 miles per hour) and then you go out and do it. It is the same with anything."

He designed (and wears) a one-piece leather suit to save windblown seconds.

There is no suggestion of a "line" about any of this. Geoff Duke is essentially a simple guy who goes direct to any point, whether it is a personal one or not.

FORTHRIGHT

He says precisely what he thinks, quietly, intensely, in accents that stem straight from the St. Helens (Lancs) sweetshop. His parents kept, with no great awareness of the noise and the kerfuffle that was to make the boy the fastest single-seat, road-bound character in the world.

It doesn't take long to get from the Pomfret cakes to the liquidize allsorts.

He has been riding a bike since before he was old enough to hold a licence (police, please note: on private ground) and now he is a great deal more than a rider-to-end-all-riders.

"Grey Mist" Sold For \$2,200

The race pony "Grey Mist" was sold by auction to Mr. B. T. L. at \$2,200, at the Hong Kong Jockey Club, on January 8.

ARMY COULD PLAY WORSE THAN THEY DID AGAINST SING TAO—AND STILL WIN!

Says "MAO YAN"

Army will play worse football than they did against Sing Tao in the 2nd Round Challenge Shield Game last Sunday, and win many games. This was the standard of their fighting display, when they eventually went down 1-2 playing in extra time with ten men.

A short story of the game would be Army leading 1-0 until ten minutes of time; an unfortunate equaliser from a free kick just before time; Tenucci, off, badly injured immediately before full time; and Sing Tao gaining a winning goal against ten men during extra time.

No report of the match which I have so far read has accurately described Sing Tao's equaliser. It was a lucky goal.

RHKDF Rifle Shooting Championship

The following are the detailed results of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force Rifle Meeting which was held at Kai Tak Ranges last week-end:

Winners of Team events: Cheylesmore Competition—Winners: No. 5 Platoon, Hong Kong Regiment, Runners-up: HKAAF Permanent Staff, Third: HKAAF Permanent Staff, Fourth: HKAAF Permanent Staff.

Winners of Individual Events: Rifle—Winners: No. 5 Platoon, Hong Kong Regiment, Runners-up: No. 4 Platoon, Hong Kong Regiment, Commando Cup—Winners: "B" Company, Hong Kong Regiment, Runners-up: Force Headquarters.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

The RHKDF Championship—Winners: L/C Silva H.G. (H.K. Regt.), Runners-up: A.B. Remondos (H.K. Regt.), Third: RSM Jones, F.C. MBE (Force Headquarters).

The HKRNVR Championship—Winners: A.B. Remondos, R.F. Runners-up: S/Lt. Fober, J. The Hongkong Regiment Championship—Winners: L/C Silva H.G. Runners-up: Cpl Howard J.W.L. The HKAAF Championship—Winners: Sgt. Pomeroy B.F. Runners-up: P/O Salter C.L.

The Home Guard Championship—Winners: Major Greenham, J.C.M. Runners-up: Aux. Belanovsky N.A. The Young Volunteers Championship—Winners: Pte Salter M. (H.K. Regt.), Runners-up: Aux. Belanovsky (Home Guard).

The HKWV Championship—Winners: Wren Kung N. Runners-up: Wren Brown. The RHKDF Staff Championship—Winners: F/Lt. Munro G.B. (HKAAF), Runners-up: RSM King W.C. (H.K. Regt.).

The RHKDF Championship—Individual Events—Deliberate—Winners: Aux. Norrish A. (Home Guard), Rapid—Winners: L/C Darkin W.A.N. (H.K. Regt.), Snapshoot—Winners: Cpl Howard J.W.L. (H.K. Regt.).

The Young Volunteers Championship—Deliberate—Winners: Wren Kung N. (HKRNVR), Snapshoot—Winners: Wren Brown (HKRNVR).

British Empire v. United States Athletic Match

London.

The British Amateur Athletic Board have confirmed that the British Empire versus United States match, normally held after the Olympic Games, will take place at the White City, London, on August 4.

This announcement follows the visit of the Board's Secretary, Mr. Jack Crump, to New York recently for discussions with Mr. Dan Ferris, of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

America will be represented by its strongest team with about 50 first-class athletes competing. The match, over 15 events, will be on the team and relay principle.

In addition there will be three women's events but these will not be included in the match scoring.

American athletes will also take part in the British Games meeting organised by the News of the World at the White City on August 9. It is expected that leading Continental athletes will also participate.—Reuter.

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Men's Doubles: Vana and Andreadis, Sido and Kocian, Tercha and Stipek (Czechoslovakia), Leach and R. Bergman (England).

Women's Singles: A. Rozeanu (Rumania), G. Farkas (Hungary), G. Fritzl (Austria), Nelli (Australia), H. Elliot (Scotland), R. Rowe (England), S. Szasz (Rumania) and D. Rowe (England).

Women's Doubles: D. and R. Rowe (England), Rozeanu and Szasz, Farkas and J. Simon (Hungary), Elliot and Weri.

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WEEK-END TEAMS

The following are Club selections for cricket and hockey matches this week-end:

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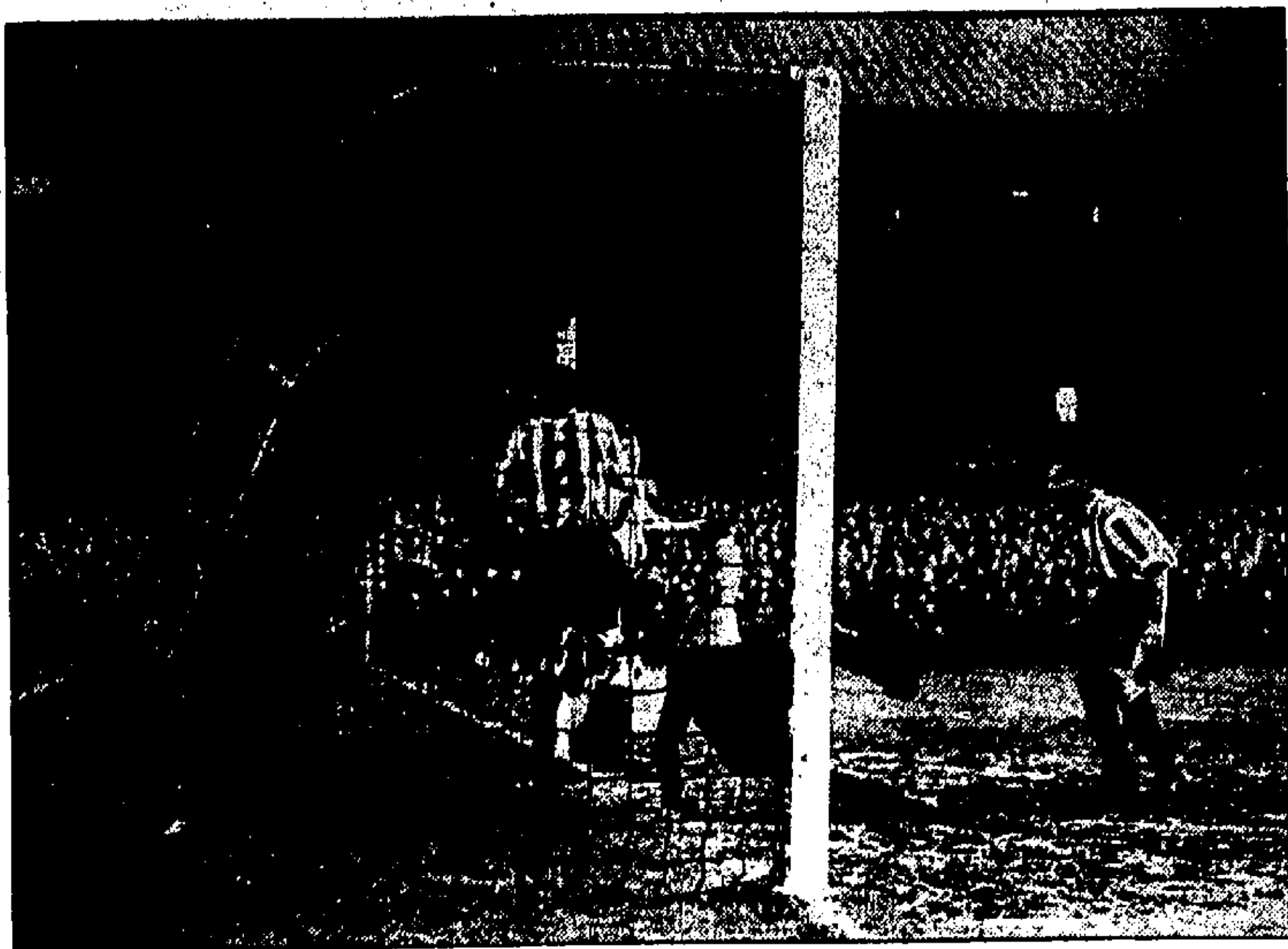
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CARDIFF CITY v. BRENTFORD



Gaskell, the Brentford goalie, yields another corner under pressure. The shot was a hook from Blair (extreme right) and Gaskell is seen falling after tipping the ball over. Horne, his right back, watches it go. Munro (No. 2), Brentford back, is standing in goal. The game ended in a one-all draw.

ALAN HOBY Describes How

THE CHAMPIONS BEAT THE CUP-HOLDERS IN A SOCCER CLASSIC

Imagine a pitch like a plate of coagulated porridge. Imagine mud so thick and clinging that four footballs—two brown and two white—had to be used during the game.

Imagine international stars like Alf Ramsey, Jackie Milburn, Eddie Bailey, and George Robledo floundering ankle deep in a near swamp—and you will get some slight idea of the appalling conditions at White Hart Lane, Tottenham on Saturday, December 29.

Yet it was a magnificent game, a muddy classic which was a credit to both Tottenham and Newcastle. 'Spurs came back to something like their explosive best. On this form they could win the Cup.

Maybe it was the memory of that 7-0 drubbing they gave Newcastle last season, maybe it was just that this was the match of the day—Champions v. Cup holders, "Gamecocks" v. "Magpies"—but in the seventh minute, after both Bailey and Wallers had rasped the bar, Wallers got a really brilliant goal.

Duquemin flicked the ball to Wallers who, with unexpected confidence, completely beat Newcastle's left back, McMichael. The 'Spurs' outside-

right dribbled on and flashed the ball past Simpson.

'Spurs' could easily have had five or six goals with a little more luck, and if the ground had been drier, indeed, the goalkeepers who forecast that 'Spurs' defence would fall apart like the walls of Jericho before the brilliant Newcastle attack, were proved poor prophets.

SPURS' WEAKNESSES

'Spurs still have weaknesses I thought—

CRICKET LEAGUE FIXTURES

The second round of the Hongkong Cricket League is due to start on Saturday, January 26.

Kowloon Cricket Club are at present leading in the First Division, having completed their first round fixtures with 30 points from nine games, seven of which were won and two drawn.

Following close on the heels of Kowloon Cricket Club are Army "A" who have 27 points from nine games. Army "A" won six of their first round encounters and drew three.

In the Second Division, Royal Air Force, who enjoy the unique distinction of having obtained maximum points from nine games played, are well ahead of their nearest rivals, Kowloon Cricket Club, who have 26 points from nine games, six of which were won, two drawn and one lost.

The following are the fixtures in the second round:

FIRST DIVISION

Saturday, Jan. 26
Army "A" v Army "B", CCC v University, Navy "Optimists", RAF v HKCC "Scorpions", Bye—HKCC "Optimists".
Saturday, Feb. 2
CCC v Army "A", Recolet v University, KCC v IRC, Army "B" v RAF, HKCC "Optimists" v Navy, Bye—HKCC "Scorpions".
Saturday, Feb. 9
RAF v Army "A", Recolet v University, KCC v IRC, Army "B" v RAF, HKCC "Optimists" v Navy, Bye—HKCC "Scorpions".
Saturday, Feb. 16
IRC v Recolet, HKCC "Scorpions" v Navy, KCC v Army "A", Army "B" v RAF, HKCC "Optimists" v Navy, Bye—RAF.
Saturday, Feb. 23
Recolet v HKCC "Scorpions", CCC v University, KCC v IRC, Army "B" v RAF, HKCC "Optimists" v Navy, Bye—RAF.
Saturday, March 1
HKCC "Optimists" v CCC, University v Army, KCC v IRC, HKCC "Scorpions" v Navy, Bye—RAF.

Saturday, March 8
HKCC "Scorpions" v Army "B", CCC v Recolet, University v IRC, RAF v HKCC "Optimists", Army "A" v Navy, Bye—KCC.
Saturday, March 15
Army "A" v Recolet, HKCC "Scorpions" v University, IRC v HKCC "Optimists", KCC v Army "B", CCC v RAF, Bye—Navy.
Saturday, March 22
HKCC "Optimists" v Army "A", Army "B" v Recolet, IRC v HKCC "Scorpions", RAF v KCC, Navy v University, Bye—CCC.
Saturday, March 29
Army "A" v HKCC "Scorpions", HKCC "Optimists" v Army "B", KCC v Recolet, Navy v IRC, KCC v RAF, Bye—University.

SECOND DIVISION

Saturday, Jan. 26
Police v Dockyard, KGV v University, KCC v Navy, RAF v IRC, DBS v Recolet.
Saturday, Feb. 2
DBS v Dockyard, University v Recolet, IRC v KCC, RAF v Police, Navy v KGV.
Saturday, Feb. 9
KGV v DBS, Recolet v Navy, Police v IRC, KCC v University, Dockyard v RAF.
Saturday, Feb. 16
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★ ★ ★ A SEAT IN THE STALLS ★ ★ ★

The Stars Didn't Shine In 1951

Says JACK DAVIES

NO one is likely to mark down 1951 as a vintage year for films or film news. Few film stars made the front pages. When they did the ensuing publicity wasn't always favourable.

For instance, Franchot Tone and an actor named Tom Neal got involved in a fracas over a starlet named Barbara Payton. Mr Tone lost the fight, won the lady, then married her. After a few weeks he lost her again. He also gained some more publicity when he spat in

a lady columnist's eye. Nice fellow, Mr Tone.

Jane Russell came to London for the Royal Film Performance and departed a few days later with a small boy named Tommy Kavanagh who, for a few days, became more famous than that other Kavanagh—Ted.

Frankie boy finally put an end to the suspense and married Ava.

NOT SO FUNNY

Robert Newton departed for Hollywood with his son but without Mrs Newton. Mother was not amused.

LARRY and VIV each made films in America.

James Mason finally appeared in a good film—"Rommel."

Jean Kent was fined in Sheffield for taking a drink after hours. Miss Kent appealed against the decision and won, but complained bitterly that her age had been given in court as 35. "Why," she said, "I'm only just 30."

Several million dollars after they had started it M.-G.-M. launched "Quo Vadis?" and a smart publicity man quipped: "QV will stop everyone looking at TV."

LARRY and VIV made a success on the London stage.

Glynis Johns and Antony Darnborough announced their engagement, then called the whole thing off.

Audrey Hepburn arrived. Mario Lanza went on several diets. Judy Garland wowed 'em at the Palladium and at the Palace, New York, then collapsed.

TONGUE TEASER

Artie Shaw got engaged—again.

George Sanders had a tiff with Mrs Sanders. Mary Pickford decided to resume her film career. Garbo didn't. A producer, Nunnally Johnson, tongue in cheek, pronounced Mario Cabre the greatest actor since Johnny Weissmuller.

Korda gave up smoking and then made a film in 13½ days. The Drama Quartet—Charles Boyer, Charles Laughton, Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Agnes Moorehead—toured the provinces and flopped. Then they went to Broadway and clicked. Alec Guinness played "Hail, let" on the stage. Bob Hope got knocked out of the British Amateur Golf Championship.

LARRY and VIV made a hit on the Broadway stage.

Charles Chaplin dyed his hair blond, engaged a young British actress, named Claire Bloom, and started work on his first film for five years.

Britain turned out several good films, among them: "The Browning Version," "The Lavender Hill Mob," "The Man in the White Suit" and "White Corridors."

Hollywood made among others: "The Great Caruso," "American in Paris," "Red Badge of Courage," "Detective Story," "Ace in the Hole," and "A Place in the Sun."

From the Continent came: "La Ronde," "Edward and Caroline" and "Miss Julie."

There was some fine acting, too. Best male performance came from Michael Redgrave in "The Browning Version." Best female performance from Shelley Winters in "A Place in the Sun."

Best newcomers were Pier Angeli, Leslie Caron and Joan Rice. Best direction came from John Huston for "Red Badge of Courage." Best music came from "La Ronde."

And the best last word of the year 1951 came from Lisa Ferraday who, having lost out to another actress for a role in an M.-G.-M. musical, rang up to congratulate her.

"I'm sorry you didn't get the part, Lisa," said the actress, "but the producer wanted a beautiful woman for the part." "I quite understand, darling," replied Lisa. "You see, originally, he wanted an actress."

FOOTNOTE: At the year's end LARRY and VIV were still packing 'em in on Broadway.

Close-up On 1951 Films

By RICHARD WINNINGTON

In the hush that encompasses the first week of the New Year, the film critic looks back over the old year and gains strength.

He can, on this occasion, see how much better he fared than in 1950, allow himself a little extra optimism respecting the films of 1951 and gaily wish all his readers and all the Film Industry (including Sir Michael Balcon) the happiest of New Years.

It was a hard job last year to find five top flight films. Today my choice of the eight best feature films of 1951 comes as readily as the Academy of Motion Picture Arts' annual discovery of the greatest film ever made. In the absence of Carol Reed no British film qualifies.

The Winnington Academy Award (1951) goes then to Max Ophüls' "La Ronde" (France) for style, civilised wit and three perfect performances. To Becker's "Edward and Caroline" (France) for uncommon virtuosity of writing, acting and direction, upheld within a structure so fragile that the drop of a pin could have been disastrous; also for its equally uncommon, unsentimental love of human beings.

To Luciano Emmer's "Sunday in August" (Italy) for a robust sense of confidence, registered with no less skill in the human race. And to Sjöberg's "Miss Julie" (Sweden) which takes the reverse (and low) view of men and women with the freshest and most daring of cinematic effects.

To John Huston's "The Red Badge of Courage" (America) for the brilliant pictorial innovations and Lewis Milestone's "A Walk in the Sun" (America) for the humane perceptiveness with which they depict the plight of the civilian soldier amid the confusion and illegality of war.

And finally to Billy Wilder's "Ace in the Hole" and Henry Hathaway's "Fourteen Hours" as representative (with typical virtues and shortcomings) of the bright, earnest, ruthless, inevitable journalist school of American film-making.

It has been an odd year containing some odd unclassifiable films. One of the most important was Paul Rotha's "No Resting Place" which tore down the myths of British film-making costs and laid a trail for future British films.

Two others whose intrepid international purpose was blurred only by political expediency were the Swiss "Four in a Jeep" and the Franco-Italian "Unwanted Women."

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utivated its American tragedy in Boy and Girl romance.

On the medium-good list must also go Hitchcock's "Strangers on a Train," though it loses speed on the gradients, and the two musicals "An American in Paris" and "Fine and Dandy," both irresistible though one is too fancy and the other too mechanical.

Top place in the Winnington Museum of Artistic Curiosities goes to "Tales of Hoffman," and second place to "Pandora and the Flying Dutchman." The worst bad films were "Rommel" and "Steel Helmet," the funniest bad film "Another Man's Poison," the most charming bad film "Paris Waltz."

Historically if not aesthetically interesting were the return of Russian films with "Ballerina" and the arrival of the first post Civil War Spanish film "Don Quixote."

But two short films did make history: "A Visit to Picasso" and "Gerald McBoing Boing." The former as well as being the finest and gayest film on painting ever made is the apotheosis of the artist. The latter is a brilliant rediscovery of the cartoon form so long misused by Disney and his imitators.

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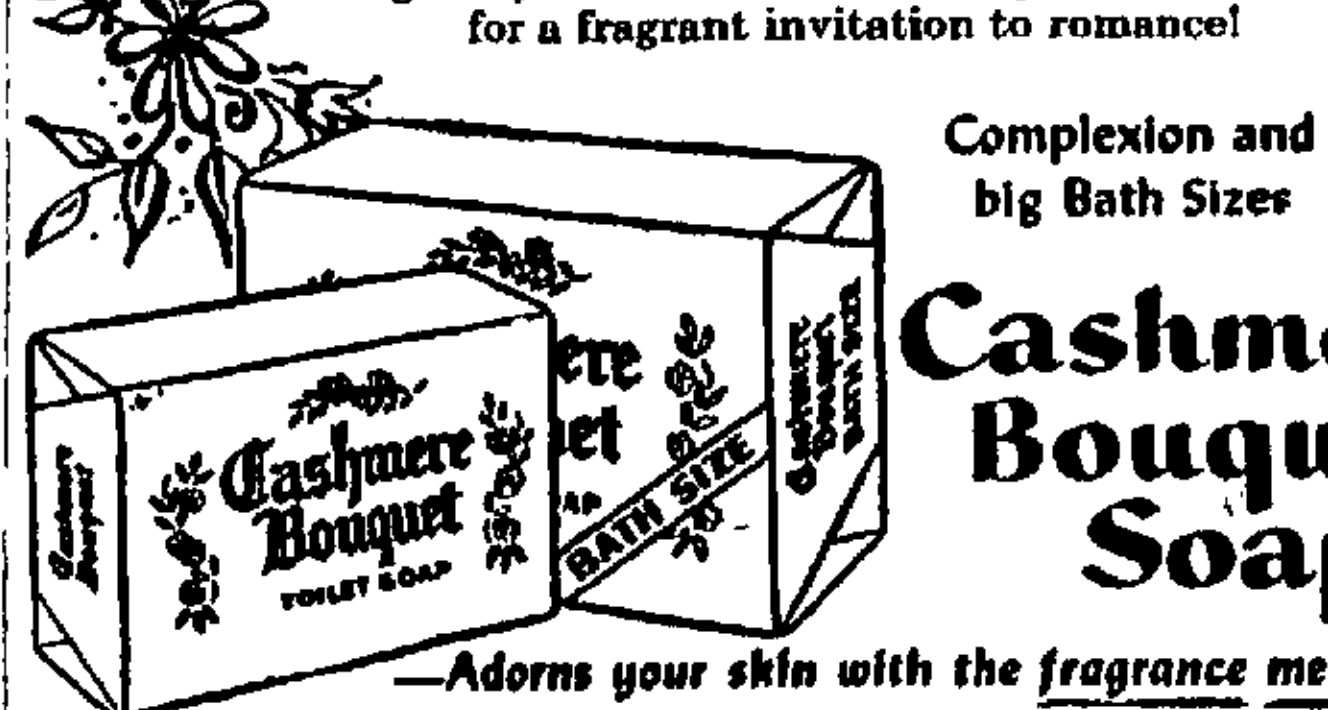
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India's Princes Taking A Hand In General Election

New Delhi, Jan. 8.

India's Princes are turning to politics. Some of them have put up as Independent candidates in the country's first nationwide general elections, in which the main polling is now taking place.

Others are giving powerful support to near relatives or to candidates and parties of their choice.

The States Ministry, however, is known to frown upon any political alliance between the rulers and the big "zamindars," "jagirdars" and other landowners aimed at obstructing land reforms or attempting to regain their former princely power.

Warned by the fate of the ex-Maharajah of Baroda, deposed last year for "defying the Government," most Princes are disinclined to take a reactionary line which might bring them into conflict with the Government and deprive them of their privy purses.

The very first member to be returned to the new Parliament was, in fact, a ruler—the Raja of Bilaspur. He was returned unopposed from Bilaspur constituency, in the Simla Hills, after the Congress candidate opposing him had withdrawn his nomination.

The Raja of Bilaspur, however, is a ruler who will shortly be without a State. His 453-square-mile territory is doomed to vanish in an artificial lake when the Bhakra-Nangal dam project in the Himalayan foothills is completed during the next few years.

Three other rulers of Himalayan hill States are contesting seats for the local State legislature.

In Rajasthan, the main stronghold of princely States, at least four powerful rulers are contesting seats for the House of the People. They are the Maharajah of Jaipur, the Maharajah of Bikaner and the rulers of Durgpur and Karauli.

Other rulers, of smaller States in Rajasthan, are putting up for the Rajasthan State Assembly.

Under the Indian Constitution, there is no objection to the princely rulers joining in the elections. But if they wish to stand as candidates, they must forfeit their quasi-diplomatic privileges for the election period.

Report To UN On Korea

Paris, Jan. 8.

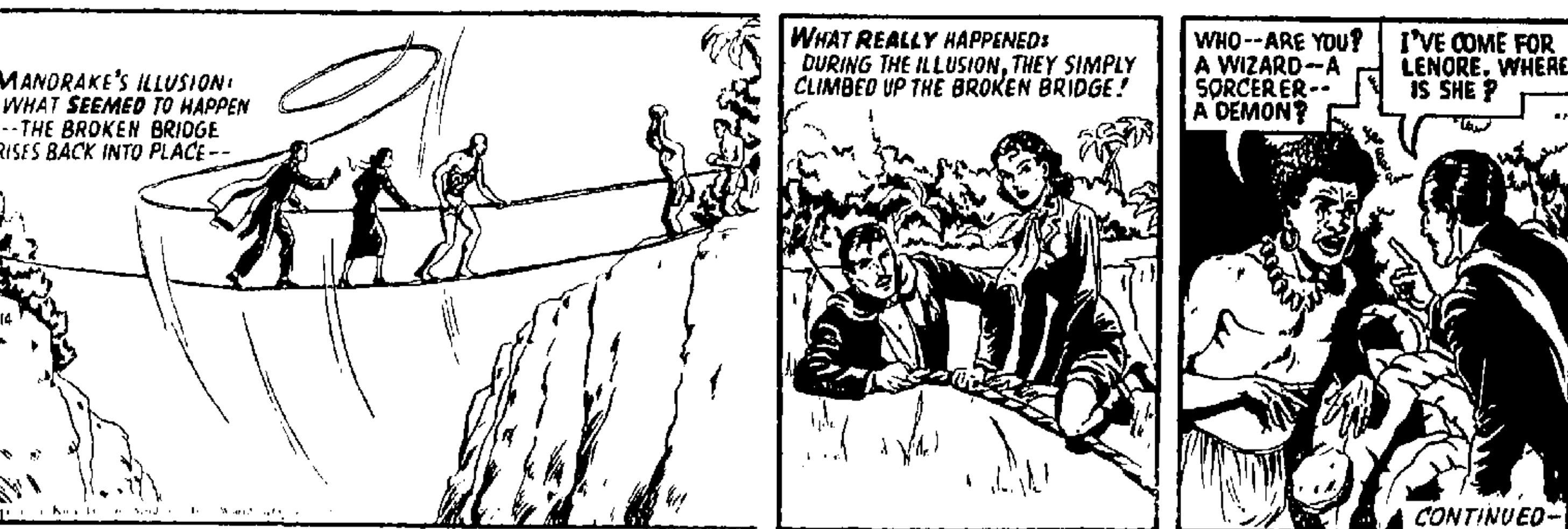
The United Nations' General Secretariat today received from the United Nations' High Command in Korea its 32nd report on operations in Korea.

The report covered the period from October 16 to October 31.

After reviewing military operations the report stressed the need for United Nations' broadcasts and publications aimed more particularly at explaining that United Nations' objectives were to repulse Communist aggression and to establish international peace and security in Korea.—France-Press.

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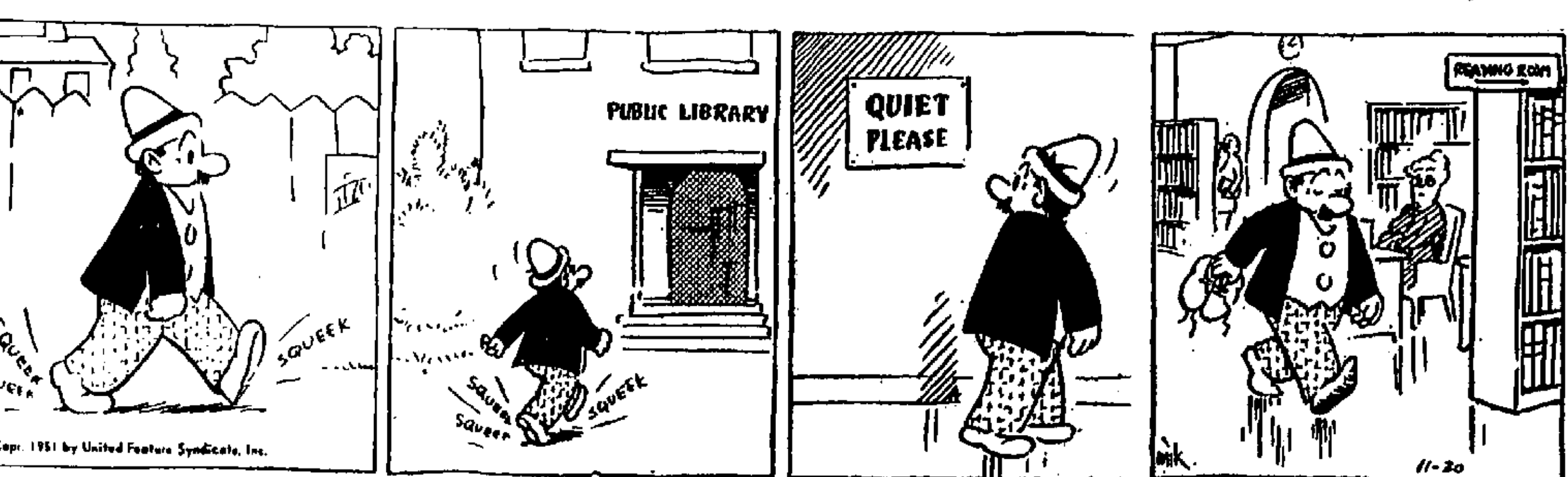
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Bao Dai also conveyed to General de Lattre an expression of "unshakable friendship."

He added that all his compatriots were grateful to General de Lattre for his "superhuman toil" in the defence of the freedom of Vietnam.

They hoped General de Lattre would be able to return to Indo-China as early as possible "to complete his task in bringing independence and happiness to Vietnam."—France-Press.

Negotiations To Reopen

The Hague, Jan. 8.

Negotiations on the anti-Union of the Netherlands-Indonesian Union are expected to start here soon after an exchange of notes on Indonesia's seizure of Dutch arms shipments for Western New Guinea.

Dutch sources indicate that the seizure of arms intended for Dutch army units is delaying the start of the talks.

The Dutch Government is sending a further note today after receiving Indonesia's reply to the Dutch protest against the seizure. The exchanged notes will be published shortly.

The main reason for the stalling of the talks was the question whether the Netherlands, New Guinea, would be included in the agenda with representation of the Netherlands Government in the United Nations.



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undelivered after the 12th January,

1952, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must

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on or before the 20th January,

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PLAN TO SAVE DOLLARS

Scheme Which Would Affect Lancashire

Rationing Proposed Of US

Cotton For British Mills

Wool Prices To Be Lowered

Washington, Jan. 8. The Government today ordered wool ceiling prices to be lowered more than 20 per cent by April 8. The ceilings in clothing and other woollen goods also will be reduced to reflect the lower wool ceiling.

The order will not lower the selling prices of either wool or woollen goods. The new wool ceilings will be about 40 per cent above the current market prices. Other woollen goods are selling well below ceiling prices.—United Press.

Claims Against Japan

P.I. REPARATIONS DEMAND

Manila, Jan. 8. The Philippines' claim for \$8 billion reparations from Japan shall stay as it is, according to Economic Administrator Salvador Arana, head of a committee investigating the capacity of Japan to pay reparations.

The committee also considered a model formula for reparations payment reported to be under study by the Japanese Foreign Ministry. The salient points of the plan are:

- 1.—Establishment of a joint Japan-Philippines development company with Philippines offer of un-developed or under-developed lands to be fully developed, and minerals to be furnished into manufactured goods by Japanese labour and techniques.
- 2.—Distribution of such manufactured goods to the two countries.
- 3.—After a fixed period is over and development completed, the mines and all facilities to be transferred to the Philippines as reparations.
- 4.—The Philippines shall continue to have priority in shipments of mineral ores to Japan, even after the transfer of the mines and facilities.

JAPAN'S RECOVERY

The Arana group likewise took note of the following basic policies of the Japanese Government on the question of its ability to meet reparations claims:

- 1.—Economic recovery in Japan, which seems to give the impression that the country is enjoying a fairly high standard of living due to US aid and expenditures to be determined by SCAP financial adviser Joseph Dodge.
- 2.—Emphasis for reparations in service be laid on technical assistance as much as possible.
- 3.—New materials for processing be supplied by the claimant but processing for heavy industry be avoided as much as possible.
- 4.—Ultimate size of reparations to be determined by SCAP.
- 5.—Avoid services which compete with normal trade.
- 6.—Strict adherence to and strict interpretation of Article 14 of the Japanese Peace Treaty.

—France-Press.

TOKYO CONFERENCE

Tokyo, Jan. 8. The Indonesia-Japan conference on reparations and fishery problems took a recess today. The Indonesian delegation is believed to be still studying the Japanese counter-proposal on a reparations formula and asked the Japanese to call off today's meeting.—Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 8.

Copra was quoted today at \$165 nominal per short ton. Coconut oil was quoted today at 11 cents a pound.—United Press.

A scheme which, it is believed, would seriously affect the Lancashire cotton industry but save Britain dollars is to be put before the Treasury shortly.

Background to the plan is that the cotton industry, which imports about \$40,000,000 worth of cotton annually from the United States, is costing too many dollars.

For the cotton, bought in hard American currency, after going through the mills, does not recoup dollars. It is sold mostly for Sterling.

Backers of the scheme, therefore, advocate rationing dollar cotton for Lancashire by making a 25 per cent cut in imports. Mills would only get American raw cotton to meet vital export orders and essential home requirements.

The gap left in the home market would be partially filled by rayon, which costs less. There is already over-production of cotton textiles—so that dollars are going to waste anyhow, they say.

Cotton workers thrown into unemployment, it is stressed, could find work in the 400,000 jobs vacant in the arms industry, many of them in Lancashire.

A PRECEDENT

The scheme is a carbon copy of what has happened to tobacco and petrol in Britain.

Imports of tobacco have been slashed, giving a great boost to home growers.

With petrol, the cuts encouraged the U.S. to sell for Sterling.

This could happen with cotton. In any case it would probably bring down the price of American cotton, now about 3s. 9d per pound as against 7½d per pound in 1939.

That the Lancashire cotton trade is facing, in any case, a testing time is stressed by leading cotton industrialists themselves.

PRICE REVISION

They point out that if world trade becomes 'difficult', prices must be revised and companies prepared to take lower profits.

Buyers abroad, less confident now that Britain's currency will be further devalued, may shortly reappear in the market.

Nevertheless, production costs in Britain may still be rising, so buyers' resistance will have to be met by increased mechanical efficiency in all branches of the industry, closer costing or reduced earnings.—London Express Service.

Grain Prices

In Chicago

Chicago, Jan. 8. Wheat futures closed ½ to 1 lower and soybeans were ¾ higher to ½ lower. Prices closed as follows:—

Spot	2.58½ nominal
March	2.57½-2.58
May	2.55-2.55½
July	2.57
September	2.48½
November	2.48
January	1.97 nominal
March	1.91½
May	1.92½
July	1.92½-1.93
September	1.88½
November	2.11½-2.11
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DETECTIVE'S MORAL SCRUPLES

Louisville, Jan. 8. A young detective, bachelor Aubyn Hodges, resigned today rather than have to hunt for prostitutes. Recently transferred to the vice squad of the Louisville Police, Hodges was ordered to hunt the city's bars to investigate and approach prostitutes. "Moral scruples forbid me," he told his superiors upon handing in his resignation. — France-Press.

Almost-Human Dog Captures Burglar

London, Jan. 8. Rex, an Alsatian police dog, was taken to the Old Bailey today but had to wait outside the Court while three men, one of whom the dog caught, pleaded guilty to factory-breaking and were sentenced.

The prosecution said that Rex was the main actor in the piece and was a police dog which could do almost anything but talk. In the early morning, a night watchman heard a noise calling for assistance. He saw three men but could not recognise them. The dog was brought on the scene and soon after arriving he found one of the men up a drain. The other two men were later found on adjoining roof.

Rex had waited patiently for about four hours for the case to come on. He passed some of the time by doing tricks for his policeman keeper.

"I would like to get him to speak," the officer said, "but I am afraid they would not like it in Court."

The police said that the dog was Rex III and was two and a half years old. He had performed for the King and Queen when they visited Brighton Police College last year. — Reuter.

Three Women In A Fight

Three women, Lam Suk-han, 23, Ng Lai-wah, 26, and Chan Choy, 28, all living in the same house, were each fined \$10 or six days and bound over in the sum of \$200 for one year by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for disorderly conduct.

Yesterday afternoon, a Police constable on patrol in Electric Road, was summoned to house No. 44, second floor, where he found the defendants fighting. First defendant claimed the second defendant hit her daughter, and that this started the fight, with the third woman taking her side.

Gracie And Her Fiance



Gracie Fields, famed British actress and singer, has announced her forthcoming marriage to Boris Aporovici, radio engineer of Ceylon, where Gracie has a villa. Here the couple are seen on the balcony of Gracie's residence. — London Express Picture.

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Pastor Niemoller Flies Back To Moscow

Bad Weather The Cause

Moscow, Jan. 8. Pastor Martin Niemoller, who flew early this morning to Berlin, returned to Moscow several hours later. A United Press correspondent accidentally ran into Pastor Niemoller at the Bolshoi Theatre, seeing Tchaikovsky's ballet Swan Lake with his daughter and two Russians.

The pastor explained that his plane went as far as Minsk but did not land owing to bad weather and returned to Moscow. He expects to try the flight again tomorrow morning.

BROKER'S OFFENCE

Aids In Preparing False Information

For aiding and abetting another person to prepare false information for the purpose of obtaining a passport, Clemente Maria Castano, 65, ship and freight broker, of No. 27, Connaught Road Central, ground floor, was fined \$750 by Mr. Poon Yan-hoi at Central this morning when Defence Counsel pleaded guilty on his behalf.

Det. Insp. P. Lowe of the Commercial Crime Branch said that on September 14, last year, a Chinese in the name of Li U-lum applied for a British passport and stated that he was born in Hongkong. He also produced a birth certificate. Later when enquiries were made into his case, the applicant admitted that his true name was Li Wai-ning and that the statement he made was false. He also admitted that he had bought the birth certificate from a Chinese broker.

The prosecution said defendant was instrumental in preparing some of the documents for the applicant and guarantors.

A list of a total of 13 counts of similar charges against him was produced in Court for consideration. The prosecution adding that eleven passports had been issued to the applicants who had since left the Colony.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon on behalf of defendant asked the Magistrate to deal leniently as defendant was 65 years of age and had been born in Hongkong. He said his client had been acting as a shipping broker for the past two or three years but business was against him, and he was tempted by his Chinese friends to act as a go-between in preparing those documents. He earned small sums of money in this case.

He asked the Court to impose a fine instead of a prison term.

FIRE CAUSES EVACUATION

Denton, Jan. 8. Families living in houses only 20 feet from the wing of a blazing three-storey engineering works were called out of bed and evacuated at Denton, Lancashire, early today when the roof and two floors of the building fell in.

The works are owned by the J. Thorpe (Manchester) Limited, sewing machine makers.

Fire brigades from Manchester, Stalybridge, Aston-under-Lyne and Hyde fought the blaze. No one was injured. — Reuter.

Inquest Adjourned

London, Jan. 8. The coroner adjourned the inquest today on Richard Walter Gate, aged 56 — the Peter Cresswell stage and radio producer — for more enquiries to be made and possibly an analysis.

The only witness was Mr. Douglas Gate, brother of the deceased, who said that he had not seen his brother for some years and knew nothing about his private affairs.

Mr. Gate was found dead in a bedroom at the Junior Services Club, West End, London. — Reuter.

Two Pairs Of New Year Twins



These two pairs of twins, all boys, were born in a Paris nursing home on January 1, and the arrival on this auspicious date was suitably recorded as the picture reveals. — France-Press Photograph.

Cardinal Spellman Arrives In HK

His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York and Catholic Chaplain to the US Army, Navy and Air Force arrived by PAL from Manila at 10.15 this morning.

The Cardinal was met at the airport by the Governor's ADC, Mr. D. A. R. Colbourne, Archbishop Anthony Riberi, Papal Internuncio, Very Rev. Fr. A. Rignanti, Vicar-General of the Hongkong Diocese, Archbishop Pollio, Bishop Joseph Yuen, Monsignor Gilligan, Papal Internuncio, US Consul-General Mr. Walter P. McConaughy and also many representatives from the local Catholic societies.

Interviewed at the airport the Cardinal said his main purpose of coming out east was to be with the American servicemen during Christmas and now he is on his way back home.

"What is happening to the Churches in China are repetitions of the worst persecution and story of martyrdom of the Church in ancient times," the Cardinal said. He added that he was very glad to see Archbishop Riberi in such good health.

The Cardinal left the airport by the Governor's barge to Queen's Pier from where he travelled by car to Government House.

Before proceeding to the Missionary Reception at St. Mary's School, Kowloon at 12.50 p.m. the Cardinal called on General Evans at Flagstaff House.

At 6 p.m. a tea reception will be held at the American Club in his honour tendered by the president of the Club, Mr. J. G. O'Donnell. The Cardinal will dine at Government House tonight.

A Holy Mass will be offered by the Cardinal for United Nations war dead at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road at 8 a.m. tomorrow. His Eminence will meet visitors after Mass at the Church door.

The Cardinal will leave for Bangkok by PAA tomorrow afternoon on his way back to New York via Europe.

Held Bottle, Not Handlebar

For riding a bicycle with his right hand holding a bottle of wine instead of the handlebar, Wun Kwong-lo, 22, shop faki, was fined \$25 or seven days this morning by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central.

Wun was arrested by a Police constable while riding along Tung Lo Wan Road yesterday evening.

Junk Master Is Cautioned

Yu Fat, master of 6123Y, who pleaded guilty on Monday to fitting four secret compartments to a junk, was cautioned by Mr. T. E. Low at the Marine Court this morning. In registering a conviction against Yu, Mr. Low said that he would not fine him in view of the penalty imposed on the owner of the vessel on Tuesday for the same offence.

Prison For Stealing Cable

For stealing electric cable, the property of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., Lau Kwai, 32, was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment by Mr. Winter at Kowloon Court this morning.

A second defendant, Ho Ki-cheung, 44, was sentenced to 27 months for the same offence.

Insp. Chan Ki-yick said that on January 3 the Police found defendants in a hut in Cheung Sha Wan village, Shamshuipo.

The second defendant produced two hacksaws and other equipment, including bamboo poles and electric torches for cutting cables.

The hacksaws were insulated with rubber taken from stolen cable.

Both defendants admitted that they had stolen cable with other persons at five places in the New Territories.

About 1,300 yards of cable, valued at \$2,500, were stolen.

Insp. Chan said the defendants' action had not only endangered their own lives but also affected the population in the New Territories.

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ACTION QUICKENS ON THE KOREA WAR FRONT

Tokyo, Jan. 9.

Action quickened on the western Korean battlefield yesterday, with the Chinese using the biggest number of troops in the last two months to counter United Nations attacks.

The Chinese brought in at first two battalions of troops to repel United Nations infantrymen to regain lost ground near Panmunjom.

Then, as United Nations attacks got stronger, the Chinese threw in another battalion, bringing the defence force to approximately 2,000.

The latest reports from the 8th Army said United Nations infantrymen had so far failed to gain their objectives.

An 8th Army spokesman identified as South Koreans troops who since Dec. 28 have been fighting to get back ground the Chinese took from them near Panmunjom, the armistice talks site.

The spokesman said the South Koreans yesterday temporarily gained ground, but lost it quickly when the Chinese threw in a 2,000-man force to repel them. Elsewhere along the 145-mile frozen battlefield, both sides patrolled cautiously and occasionally clashed.

The South Koreans claimed that with the assistance of heavy artillery and air strikes, they killed 1,000 Chinese near Panmunjom yesterday.

American fighter-bomber pilots, who searched North Korean roads by the light of parachute flares last night, reported a sharp decline in Communist road traffic towards the front line. Whereas they usually reported sighting at least 1,000 trucks, last night they saw only 300 and claimed destroying 25 of them.

Pilots said they saw ten locomotives pulling long trains and destroyed 150 trucks. — Reuter.

880 SORTIES

Tokyo, Jan. 9. The enemy's already badly battered rail supply complex in northwest Korea was further crippled last night by US Air Force medium bombers of the Japan-based 9th Bomb Wing, as warplanes of the Far East Air Forces on Tuesday mounted 880 sorties.

Eight of the B-29 Superforts dropped 80 tons of 500-pound high explosives on the rail marshalling yards at Kunuri, which is a vital link on one of the main lines leading from Manchuria to the battlefield areas. The bombers dropped their loads by radar aiming techniques and were not challenged by enemy ground fire or fighters.

Three other Superforts flew in close air support of UN frontline forces, dropping air-bursting explosives on troop concentrations. All the bombers returned safely.

Evaluated reports showed good results during Monday night's B-29 strike against the Sinanju bypass rail bridge by the 307th Bomb Wing.

Corporal Thyas E. McDaniel, Jr., of Orangeburg, South Carolina, a gunner on one of the Superforts said, "The first bomb I exploded I could see the rest of our bombs hit. Our entire load seemed to be concentrated on the south approach to the bridge although one bomb mushroomed about the middle."

Fighter bombers yesterday cratered the main rail lines in northwest Korea, knocking out rolling stock and blasting three tunnels. Gun positions were knocked out and troop casualties were inflicted in close air support strikes along the battlefield.

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NEGOTIATORS MEET

Tokyo, Jan. 9. United Nations and Communist armistice negotiators met again at Panmunjom today in a renewed attempt to break the tight deadlock which has overtaken their discussions.

In the opinion of United Nations observers, only brand new proposals can break this deadlock.

Felding Radio heard here ignored yesterday's talks but continued with its allegations of Allied bombings in China. In the Supervision Cease-fire Sub-committee, a United Nations demand for a complete ban on shelling buildings during an armistice stopped progress.

Living Language

Why we say Club.

The French political clubs are supposed to have been largely responsible for the Revolution of 1789. Theirs was a dangerous game and they united themselves in secrecy and brotherhood with a sacred vow called a "Gelube." It is from this word that our present "Club," meaning an association of people, is derived.

Mail Notices

Latest times of posting at G.P.O. and at Kowloon Post office: registered articles and parcel mail close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

By Air
U.S.A., Canada, 2 p.m., P.A.A.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., C.P.A.
Japan, Korea, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Formosa, 6 p.m., H.K. Airways.
By Surface
Macao, 8 a.m.; 8 p.m., ss Tak Shing/Panama.
Philippines, 2 p.m., ss Hymindon.
Siam, 2 p.m., ss Siam.
Canada, 2 p.m., via India Mail.
Malaya, East & South Africa, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Italy, 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

By Air
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 8 a.m., via B.O.A.C.
Indo-China, 10 a.m., Air Vietnam.
By Surface
Macao, 8 a.m.; 8 p.m., ss Tak Shing/Panama.
China People's Republic, 8.30 a.m., train via Canton.
Formosa, 8 a.m., ss Wing Sang.
Indo-China, 10 a.m., ss Helikon.
Korea, 10 a.m., ss Laure Patton.
Malaya, Aden, France, Noon, ss Batavia.
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America, 1 p.m., ss America Transport.
Japan, 2 p.m., ss Santha.
By Surface
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 8 a.m., via B.O.A.C.
C.P.A., 5 p.m.
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Macau, 8 a.m., C.A.T.
H.K.A.N.W.A.L., 5 p.m.
U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.L.
Siam, 5 p.m., P.O.A.S.

MISADVENTURE VERDICT

Faringdon, Berks, Jan. 8. A misadventure verdict was returned at the inquest of Major Gordon Johnson-Houghton, 41-year-old racehorse trainer, who was run over and killed by a lorry during a meet of the Old Berkshire Hunt.

Evidence showed that the horse slipped and threw him under a passing lorry. The lorry driver was exonerated from blame. — Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I liked that part of your sermon where you said all men are alike. — Wish you could convince my wife, using yourself as model!"